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THE HEDGEHOG



MOBIUS

25 YEARS LATER

THE ONCE AND FUTURE KINGS

DUE TO THE CONSTANT USE OF INTERDIMENSIONAL TRAVEL, ALL OF SPACE AND TIME WERE IN DANGER.* KING SONIC THE HEDGEHOG VENTURED BACK IN TIME AND CLOSED THE TEMPORAL WOUNDS, SAVING ALL OF EXISTENCE. BUT WHILE HE MAY HAVE SAVED HIS PAST, HE FOUND THAT HIS FUTURE HAD BEEN IRREVOCABLY CHANGED.

MOBIUS

25 YEARS LATER

PART **Tempus** ONE: **Fugit**

PORTAL,
ANGEL
ISLAND.

THIS
ISN'T
RIGHT.

I HAVE
TO ROUND UP
THE OLD
"TRIPLE
THREAT." WE
NEED TO DO
DAMAGE
CONTROL.

*THE EPIC
BEGAN IN
SONIC # 131.

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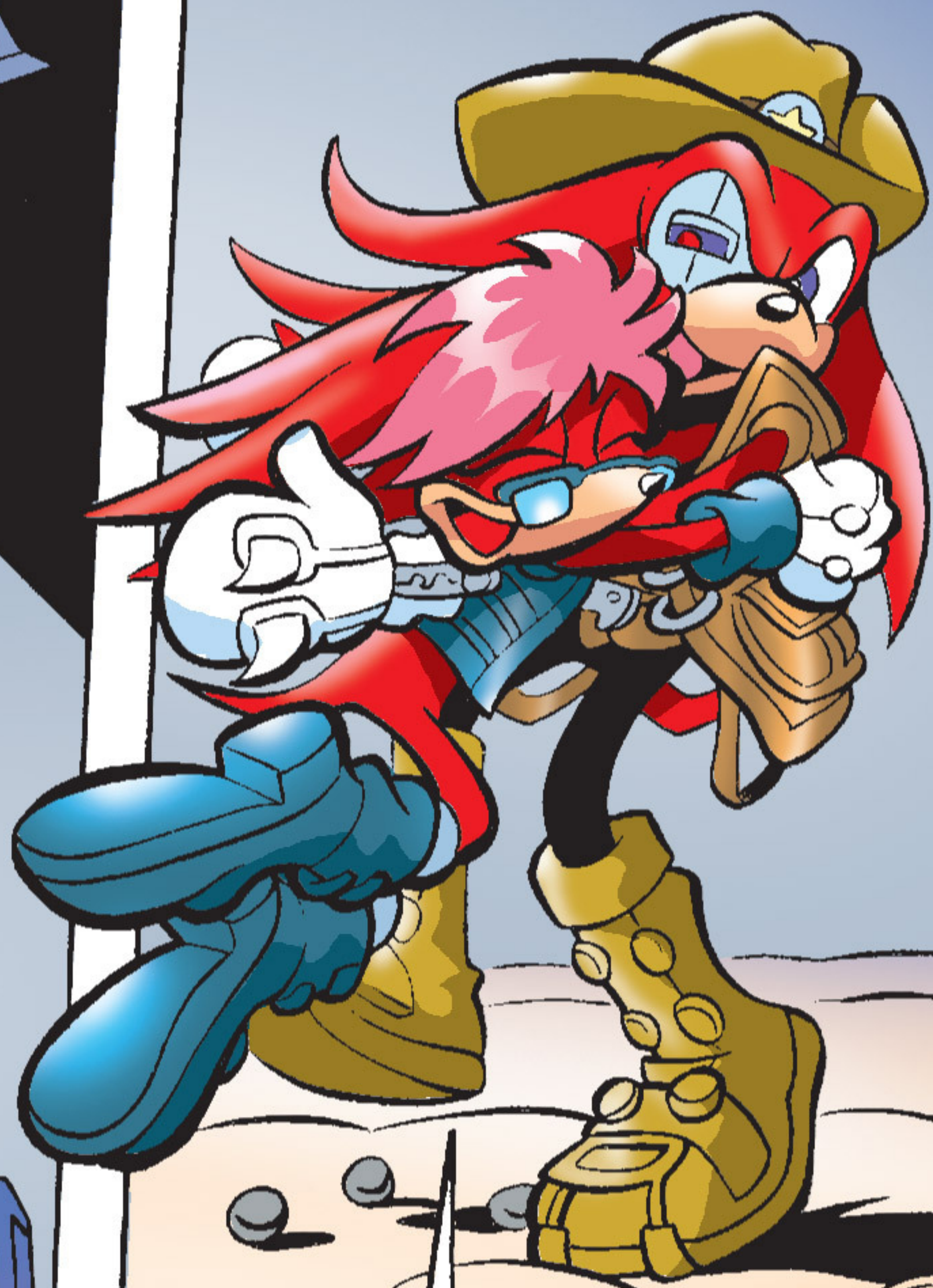


FIRST-THE
GUARDIAN.

GUARDIAN
TOWER.

HA!
DADDY!
LOOK!!!

YOU'RE
DOING GREAT,
LARA-SU. I
WASN'T NEARLY
THIS GOOD AT
YOUR AGE.

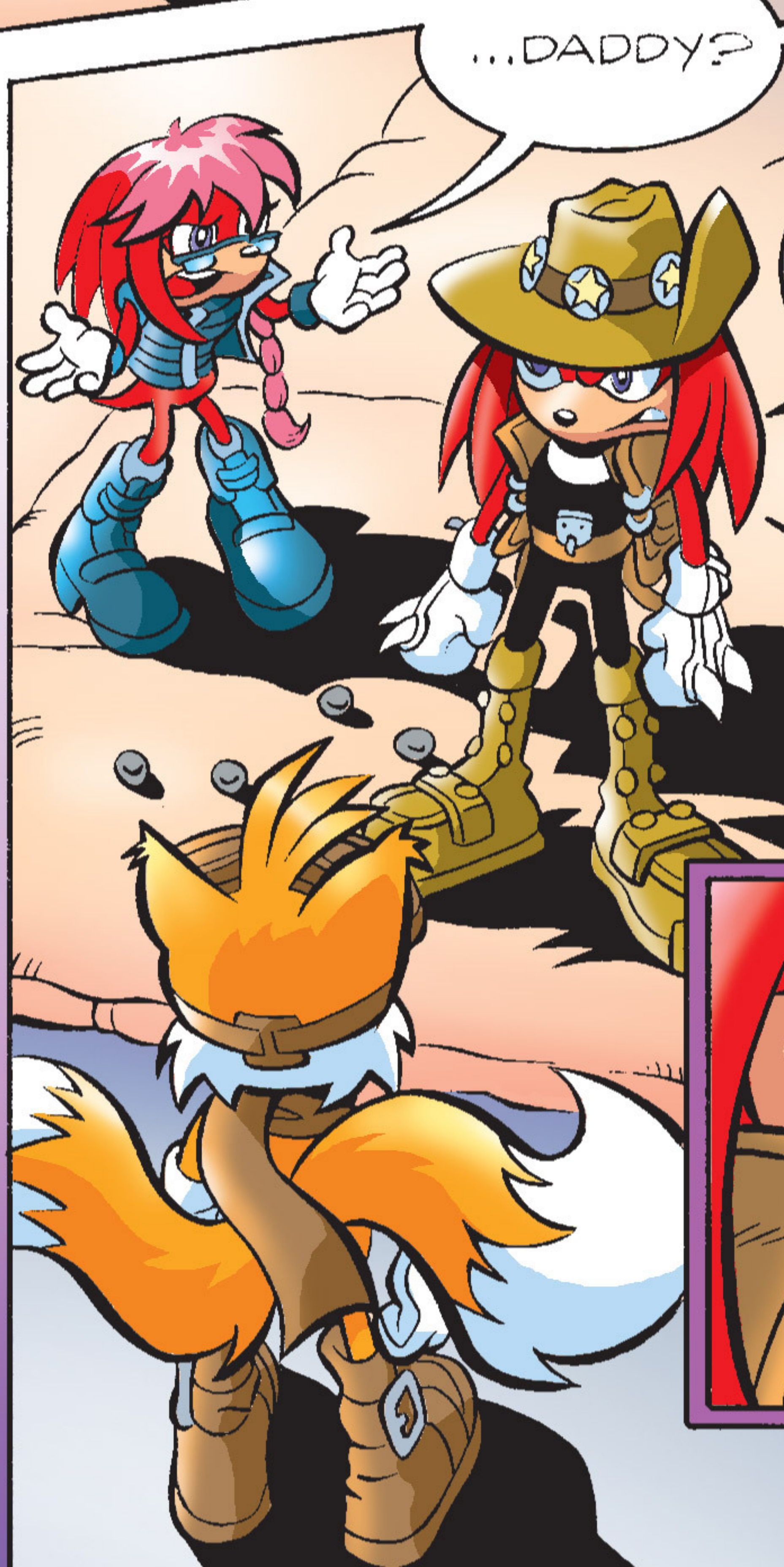


THAT'S
BECAUSE I'VE
GOT THE BEST
TEACHER IN THE
WORLD.



OH!
WE HAVE A
VISITOR...?

KNUCKLES.
IT'S BEEN A
LONG TIME.



...DADDY?


GO
WASH UP.
I'LL MEET
YOU BACK
HOME.

WHAT?
BUT WHO
IS...
WHY
SHOULD
I...?

NOW,
LARA-SU.

...PLEASE.





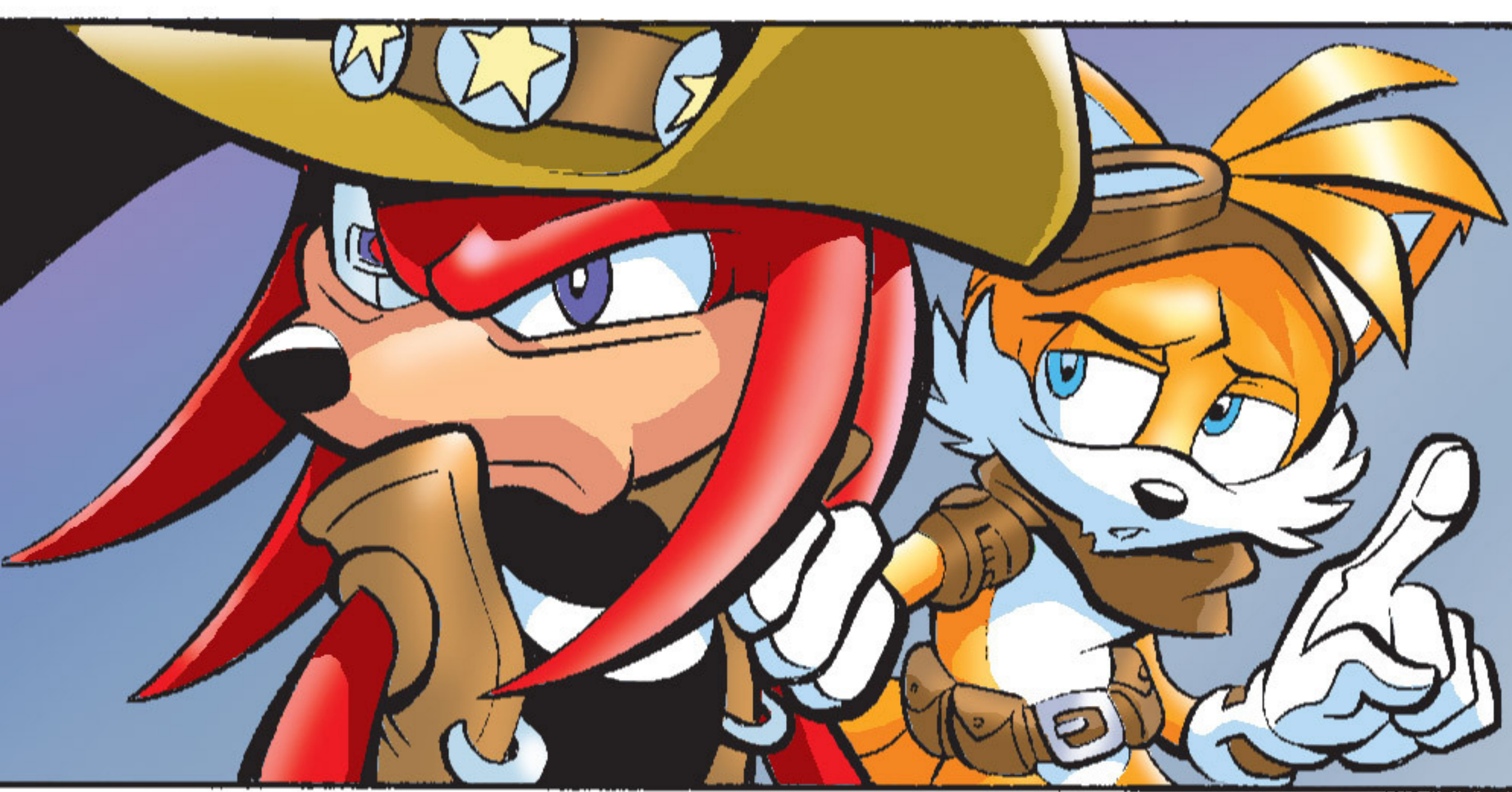
DON'T EVEN START, KNUCKLES. I KNOW EVERYTHING. I KNOW YOU WEREN'T ALWAYS KING SHADOW'S CHIEF ENFORCER. I KNOW YOU HAVE MEMORIES OF A DIFFERENT PAST AND PRESENT. I KNOW YOU WERE NEAR THE TACHYON CHAMBER BACK THEN.*

*SEE SONIC # 144.


YOU SEEM TO KNOW A LOT FOR SOMEONE WHO WASN'T... THERE.

I KNEW THERE WAS A PROBLEM, SO I TOOK SOME PRECAUTIONS. I KEPT MYSELF AND MY FAMILY SAFE FROM THE ADJUSTMENT IN SPACE-TIME. EVERYONE NEAR THE TACHYON CHAMBER CARRIED OVER ELEMENTS OF THE OTHER-PRESENT.

GREAT.



NO, IT ISN'T. THERE ARE THINGS THAT ARE VERY WRONG IN THIS PRESENT, KING SHADOW CHIEF AMONG THEM. COBOR IS MISSING FOR HIS CONNECTION TO ALL THIS, KNUCKLES. WE HAVE TO FIND SONIC AND ACT...!

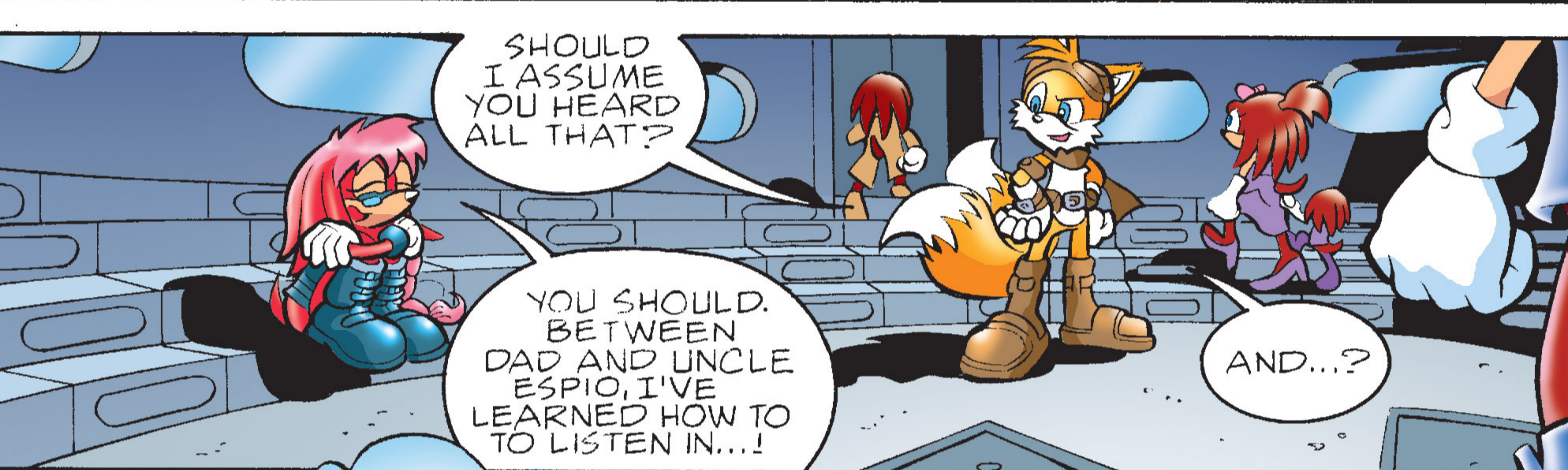


GET OUT, MILES, BEFORE I PLACE YOU UNDER ARREST.



WELL... THAT WENT WELL.

DAD'S NOT EXACTLY A "PEOPLE-PERSON."



SHOULD I ASSUME YOU HEARD ALL THAT?

YOU SHOULD. BETWEEN DAD AND UNCLE ESPIO, I'VE LEARNED HOW TO LISTEN IN...!

AND...?



I REMEMBER STOWING AWAY TO THE BADLANDS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED HERE --THEN-- BUT I HAVE MEMORIES OF FRIENDS AND THINGS THAT AREN'T HERE ANYMORE.

I KNOW THINGS AREN'T QUITE RIGHT...



... AND AS GUARDIAN, I WANT TO FIX THEM.



THEN LET'S GO FIND THE TRUE KING OF MOBIUS.

THE CATACOMBS
BENEATH CASTLE
MOBILUS.



LESSER
MOBIANS
WOULD'VE
CRACKED BY
NOW, ROTOR.
YOUR
RESILIENCE IS
AS IMPRESSIVE
AS IT IS
FRUSTRATING.



YOU WILL BREAK
AND TELL EVERY-
THING. IT'S A
MATTER OF
TIME.




THANK YOU FOR
TURNING HIM IN
TO ME, LIEN-DA.
YOU'VE PROVEN
YOURSELF ONCE
AGAIN.

DON'T
THANK
ME, KING
SHADOW...




...THANK COBOR.
HE DESIGNED IT FOR
ME, ONCE I CAUGHT
HIM* AND ROTOR
CONSPIRING IN THE
OTHER TIME-LINE.

*SEE
SONIC #141.



I DID. I *THANKED*
HIM FORTY-SEVEN
TIMES ABOUT THE
HEAD AND SHOULDER.
IT WAS A TRUE,
PLEASURE!



BE SURE TO
THANK ROTOR
IF HE SHOULD
FINALLY GIVE
YOU ANY MORE
INFORMATION.



WITH
PLEASURE!

I CANNOT
LOSE THIS
WORLD. I
HAVE DONE TOO
MUCH GOOD
FOR IT TO BE
STOPPED NOW.

MADAM ENFORCER!
THE DARK EYES
THOUGHT YOU SHOULD
SEE THIS.

OH?
DISMISSED,
TROOPER.

OH-HO!
THIS IS TOO
GOOD TO
BE TRUE.

WHAT
IS IT?

IT
LOOKS
LIKE...

...LITTLE
LARA-SU
IS RUNNING
AROUND
WITH THE
WRONG
CROWD!

CONTACT MY
LEGITIMATE
CHIEF ENFORCER.
I WANT HIM TO
HANDLE THIS
IMMEDIATELY.

OF
COURSE,
SIRE.

I'M SURE
HE'LL ARREST
ALL THREE.

THERE
YOU ARE,
YOU COULDN'T
MAKE IT EASY
FOR US?

WHOA...

THAT'S
SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG
?

I'LL
ADMIT IT,
KIDDO...I ASK
MYSELF
THAT A LOT
LATELY.

ONE DAY
YOU'RE KING
OF THE WORLD.
THEN YOU GO
DIMENSION-
FIX ALL SPACE-
TIME, AND
BOOM!

YOU'RE ON
THE STREET
WITHOUT
ANYTHING
BUT THE
SNEAKERS
ON YOUR
FEET.

YOU'RE
FROM THE
OLD FUTURE,
AREN'T
YOU?

YES.

MINA
AND
THE
KIDS
...?

I HAD
THEM
PROTECTED,
LIKE
ME.

GOOD,
THAT'S VERY
GOOD.

NOT SONIA
AND MANIK, THOUGH.
THEY'RE GONE
FOREVER. AND
SALLY IS MARRIED
TO SHADOW.
WHY?!

MOBIUS TODAY



I DIDN'T APPRECIATE ANY OF IT, TAILS. I WANT MY KIDS BACK! I WANT MY LIFE BACK! OH, SWEET MARIA HAVE MERCY...

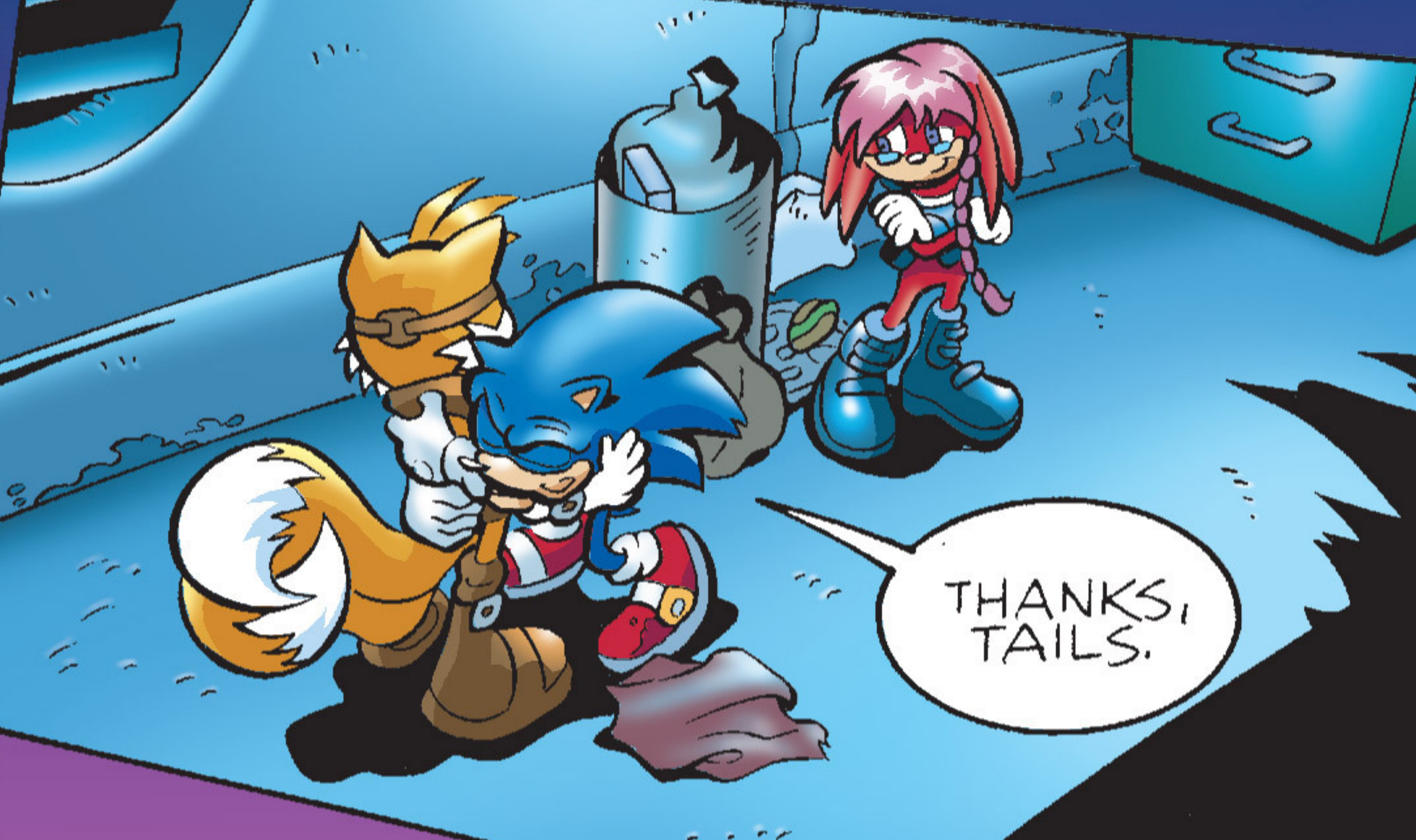
I'M SORRY, SONIC. WE CAN'T RISK TURNING BACK TIME AGAIN. I HATE THAT YOU HAD TO PAY SUCH A HIGH PRICE FOR SAVING ALL OF US.

GAH... IT'S WHAT I DO, TAILS, AND I'D DO IT AGAIN, MARIA HELP ME...

AT LEAST I CAN FIX US! I'M SORRY I LET THINGS GET SO BAD BETWEEN...



IT'S OKAY, BIG BROTHER. ALL IS FORGIVEN... YOU JUST HAD TO ASK.



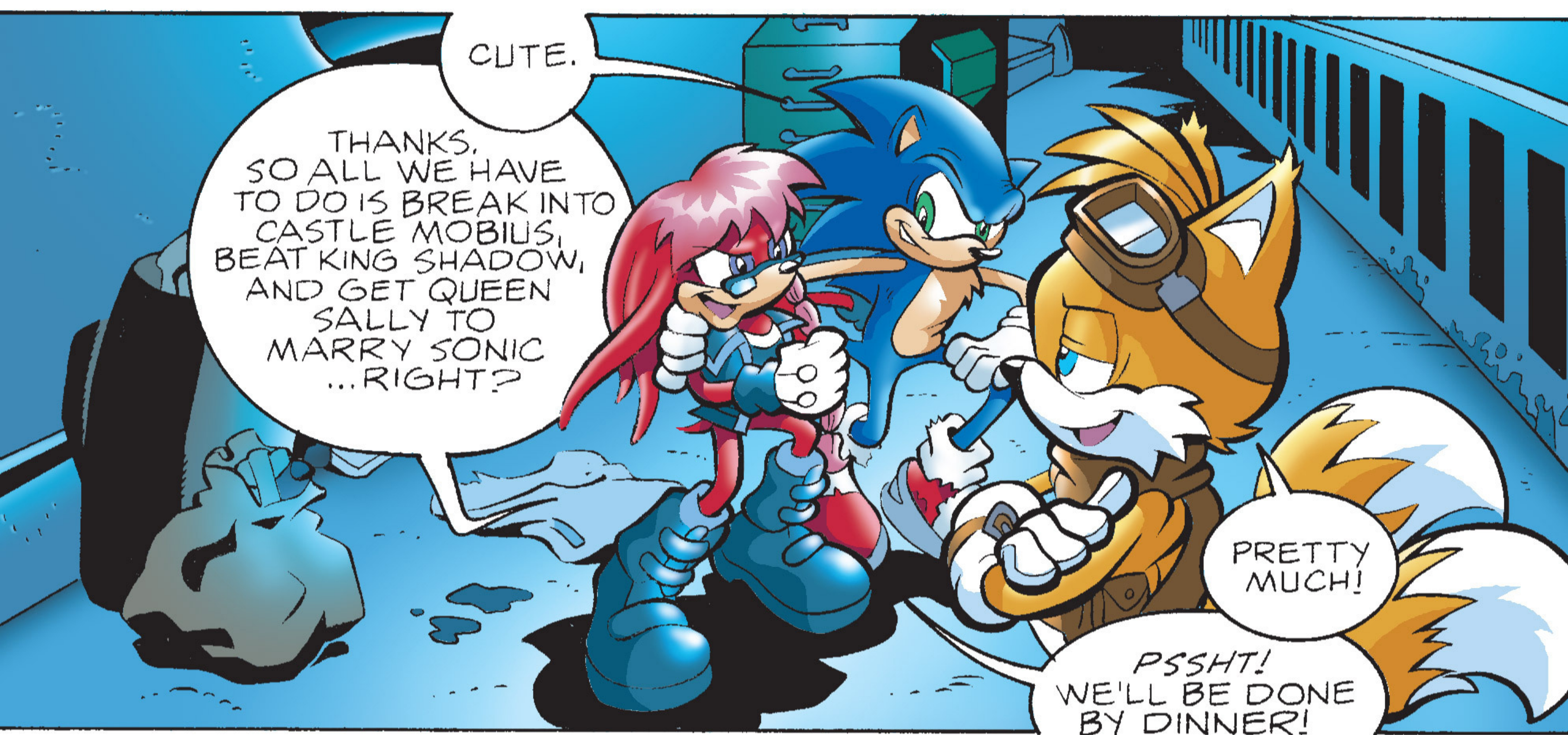
THANKS, TAILS.



EVEN MY DAD ISN'T SO MELO-DRAMATIC! COME ON! WE CAN STILL FIX THINGS!

I DON'T REMEMBER YOU BEING SO PRECOCIOUS!

TIMES CHANGE.



CUTE.

THANKS, SO ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS BREAK INTO CASTLE MOBIUS, BEAT KING SHADOW, AND GET QUEEN SALLY TO MARRY SONIC ...RIGHT?

PRETTY MUCH!

PSSHT! WE'LL BE DONE BY DINNER!



YOU'RE ALL UNDER ARREST FOR TREASON!



DON'T RESIST. I WILL USE FORCE.

HAS THE FUTURE ENDED BEFORE IT HAS EVEN BEGUN?! FIND OUT IN FOUR WEEKS IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG # 167 IN MOBIUS: 25 YEARS LATER PART TWO: TEMPUS AETERNUS!

THE CHAOTIX CONNECTION

YOU WON'T
RUIN MY LIFE
THIS TIME,
KNUCKLES.

WHAT...?

PLOT: R. CHACON
DIALOGUE: IAN FYNN
PENCILS: J. AXER
INKS: MICHAEL HIGGINS
LETTERS:
JOHN WORKMAN
COLORS:
JASON JENSEN

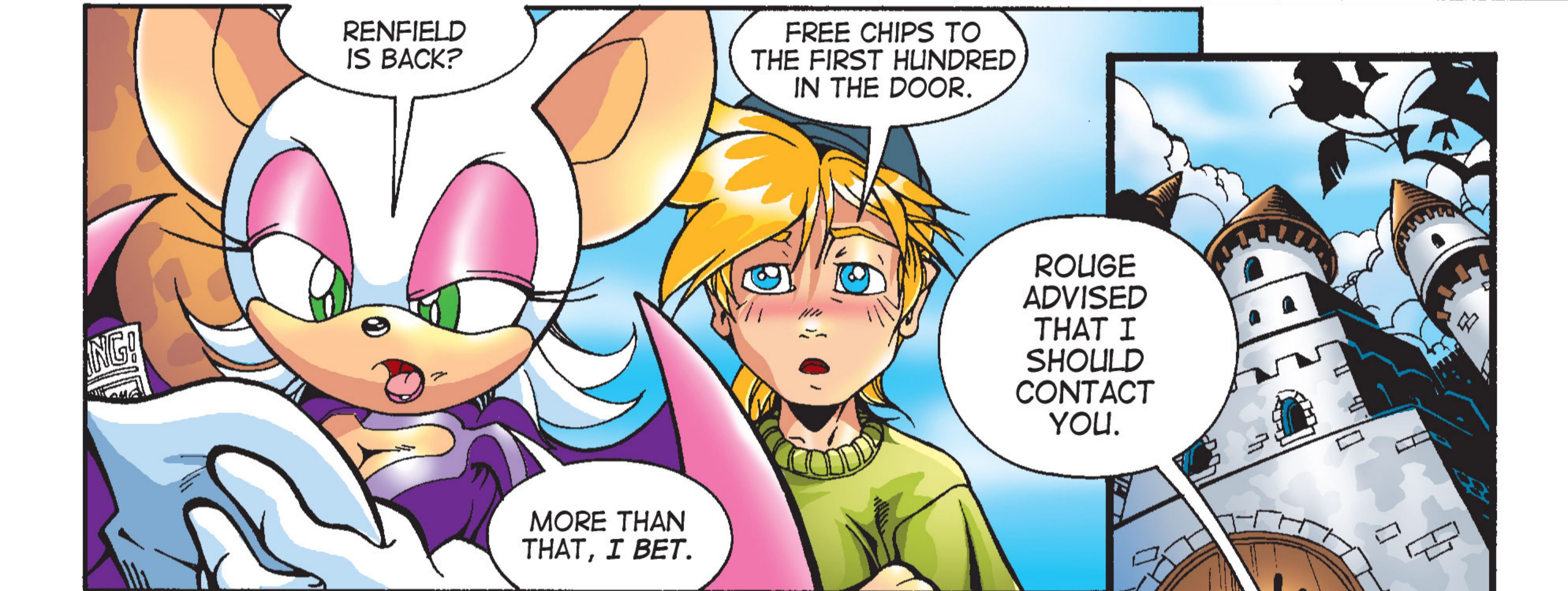


CASINOPOLIS GRAND OPENING TOMORROW!

LET ME SEE, SHORTY.

YESTERDAY, STATION SQUARE CITY.

HOTEL
THIS WEEKEND!
ENJOY: NEW COMFORT SLOTS FOR DAYS COMPLIMENTARY SEATS RE-VAMPED FLOORS
NEW! HOTEL AND CASINO LOCATED IN STATION SQUARE. CALL FOR INFO ON ROOM AVAILABILITY

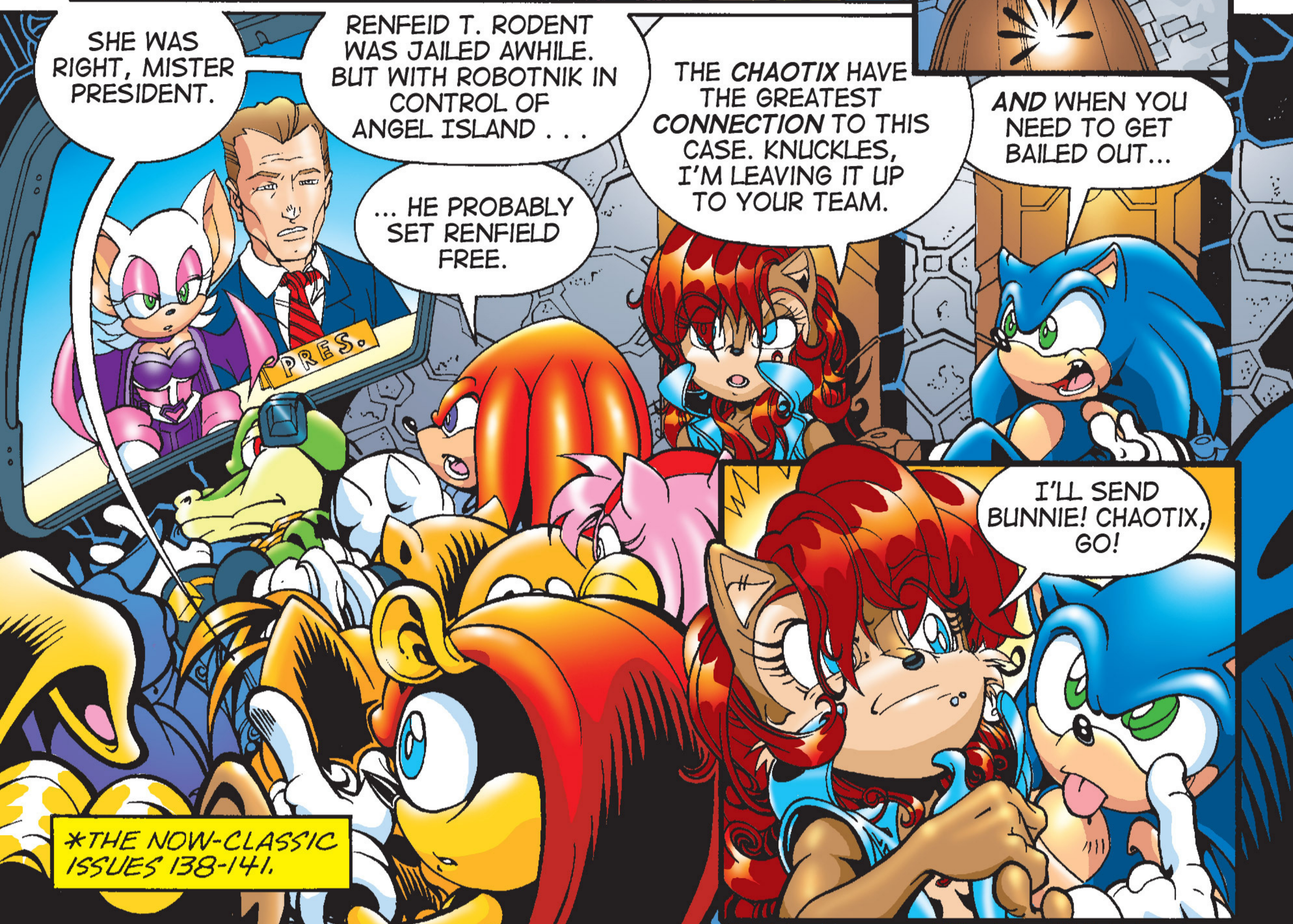


RENFIELD IS BACK?

FREE CHIPS TO THE FIRST HUNDRED IN THE DOOR.

ROUGE ADVISED THAT I SHOULD CONTACT YOU.

MORE THAN THAT, I BET.



SHE WAS RIGHT, MISTER PRESIDENT.

RENFEID T. RODENT WAS JAILED AWHILE. BUT WITH ROBOTNIK IN CONTROL OF ANGEL ISLAND ...

THE CHAOTIX HAVE THE GREATEST CONNECTION TO THIS CASE. KNUCKLES, I'M LEAVING IT UP TO YOUR TEAM.

AND WHEN YOU NEED TO GET BAILED OUT...

... HE PROBABLY SET RENFIELD FREE.

I'LL SEND BUNNIE! CHAOTIX, GO!

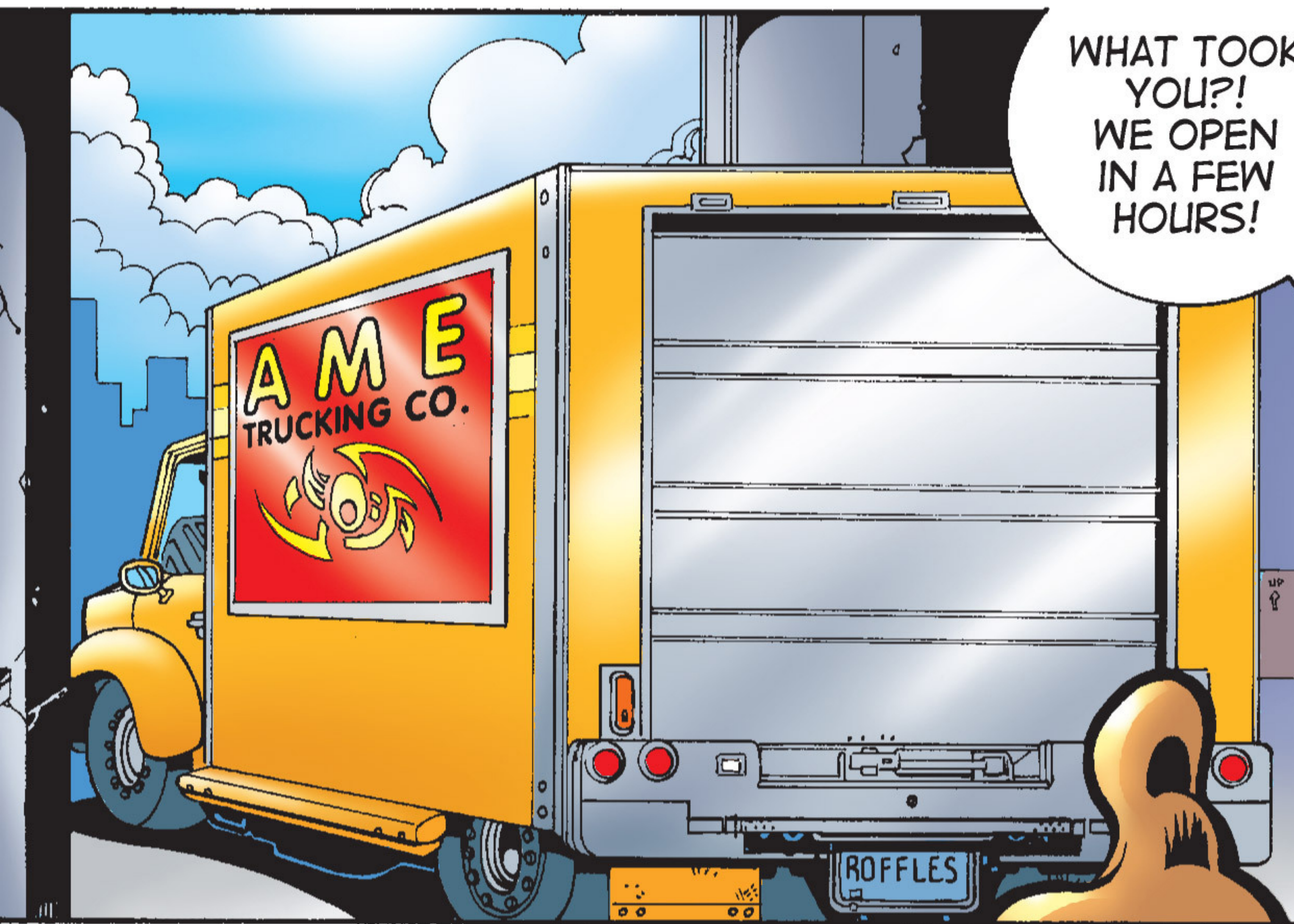
*THE NOW-CLASSIC ISSUES 138-141.



I GOT'CHER
SLOT
MACHINES
HERE,
MACK.

ABOUT TIME.
WASN'T LIKE THIS
WITH VON STRYKER.
IN CHARGE.

OPEN THE
BACK DRIVE-
WAY FOR
THE NEW
MACHINES.



WHAT TOOK
YOU?!
WE OPEN
IN A FEW
HOURS!



TAKE IT
UP WITH
GEN. KAGE.
SIGN HERE
SO I CAN
UNLOAD.

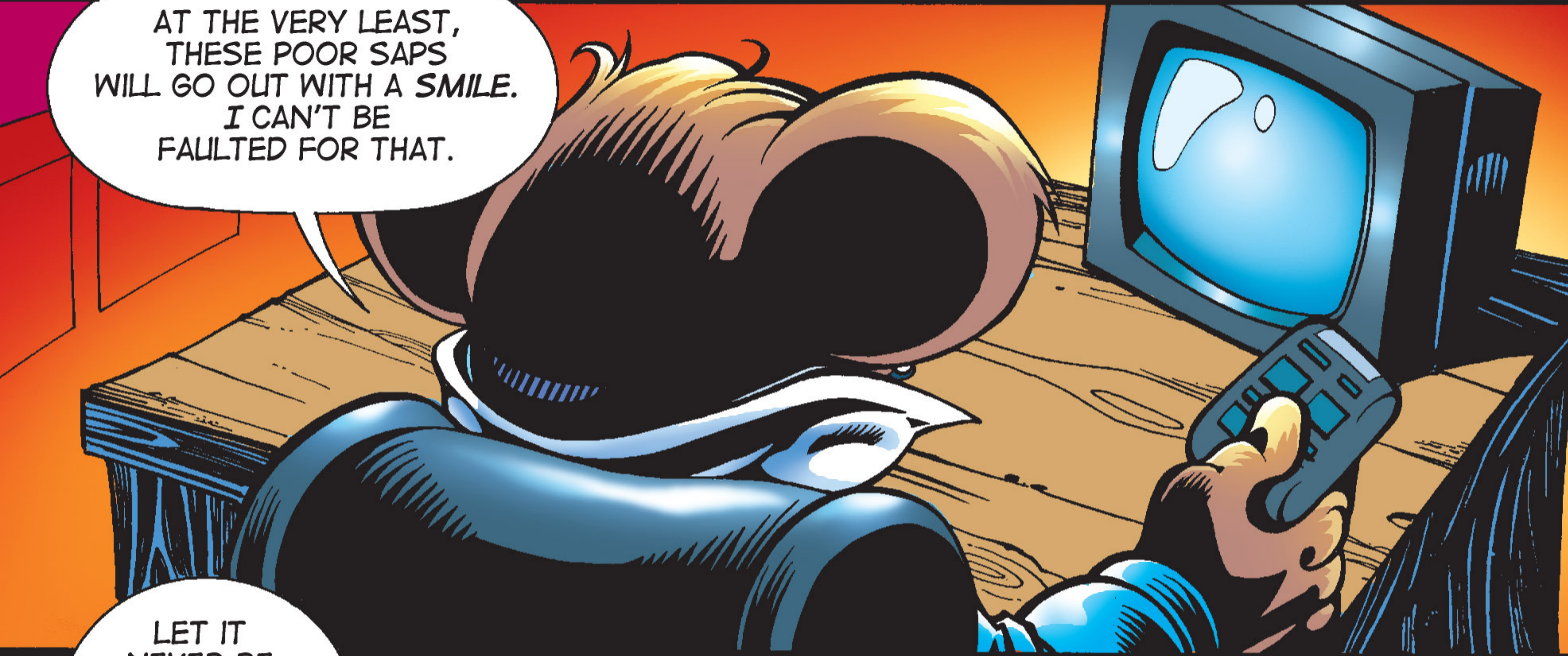
WORK
ORDER

FINALLY! AT LAST...





... WE CAN GET ON WITH THIS. I CAN PAY FOR MY "EARLY PAROL".



AT THE VERY LEAST, THESE POOR SAPS WILL GO OUT WITH A SMILE. I CAN'T BE FAULTED FOR THAT.

LET IT NEVER BE SAID; RENFIELD T. RODENT ...



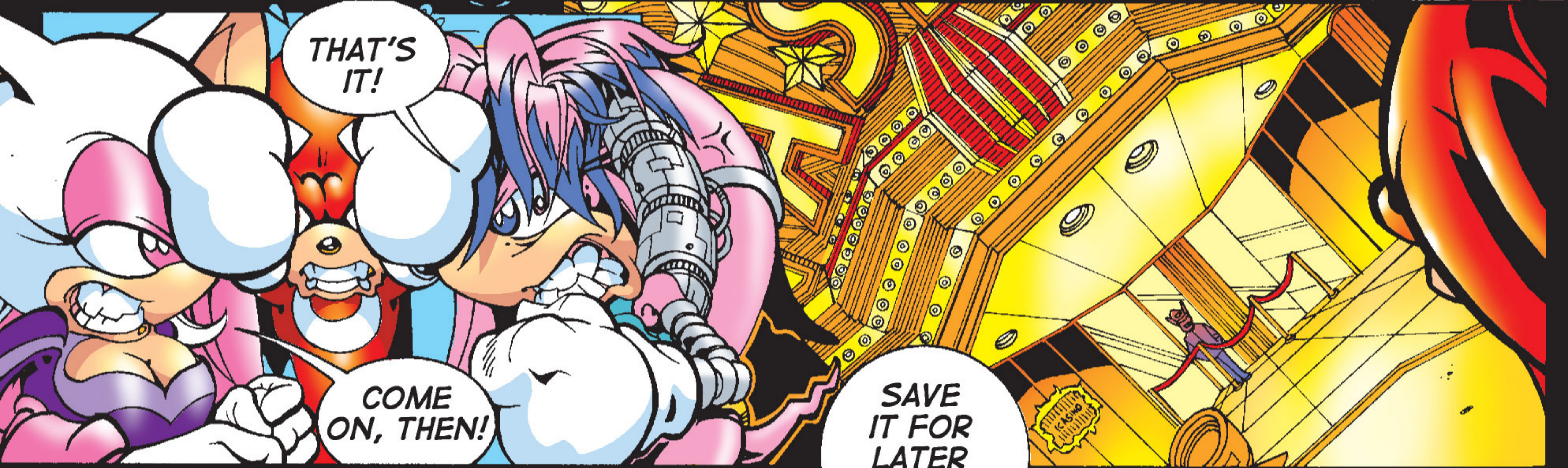
... DIDN'T PUT ON A GOOD SHOW!



I DON'T REMEMBER YOU EVER BEING A CHAOTIX, ROUGE!

I'M JUST PROVING I'VE GONE LEGIT. OF COURSE YOU WOULDN'T SEE THAT...

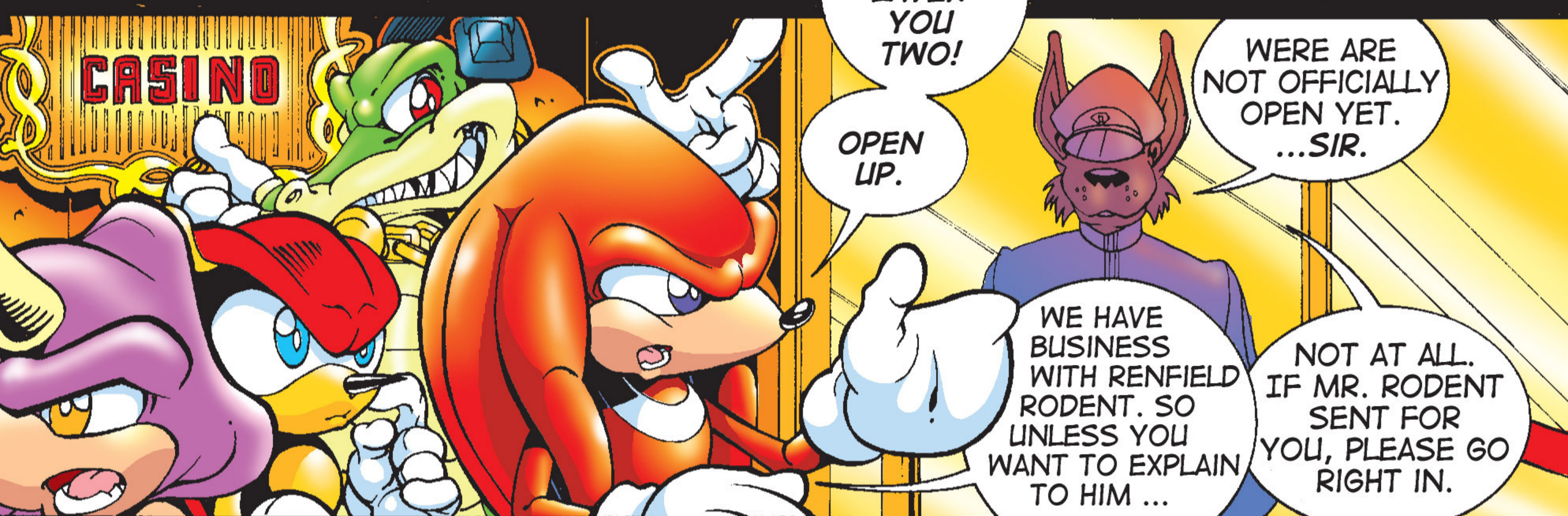
... BUT KNUCKLES DOES!



THAT'S IT!

COME ON, THEN!

SAVE IT FOR LATER YOU TWO!



CASINO

OPEN UP.

WE'RE ARE NOT OFFICIALLY OPEN YET. ...SIR.

WE HAVE BUSINESS WITH RENFIELD RODENT. SO UNLESS YOU WANT TO EXPLAIN TO HIM ...

NOT AT ALL. IF MR. RODENT SENT FOR YOU, PLEASE GO RIGHT IN.



IT LOOKS LIKE RENFIELD ONLY HIRED MOBIANS. WE CAN PASS OURSELVES AS PART OF THE LABOR.

LET'S WORK FAST, CHAOTIX. WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME.

WHAT DO YOU THINK WE'RE LOOKING FOR?



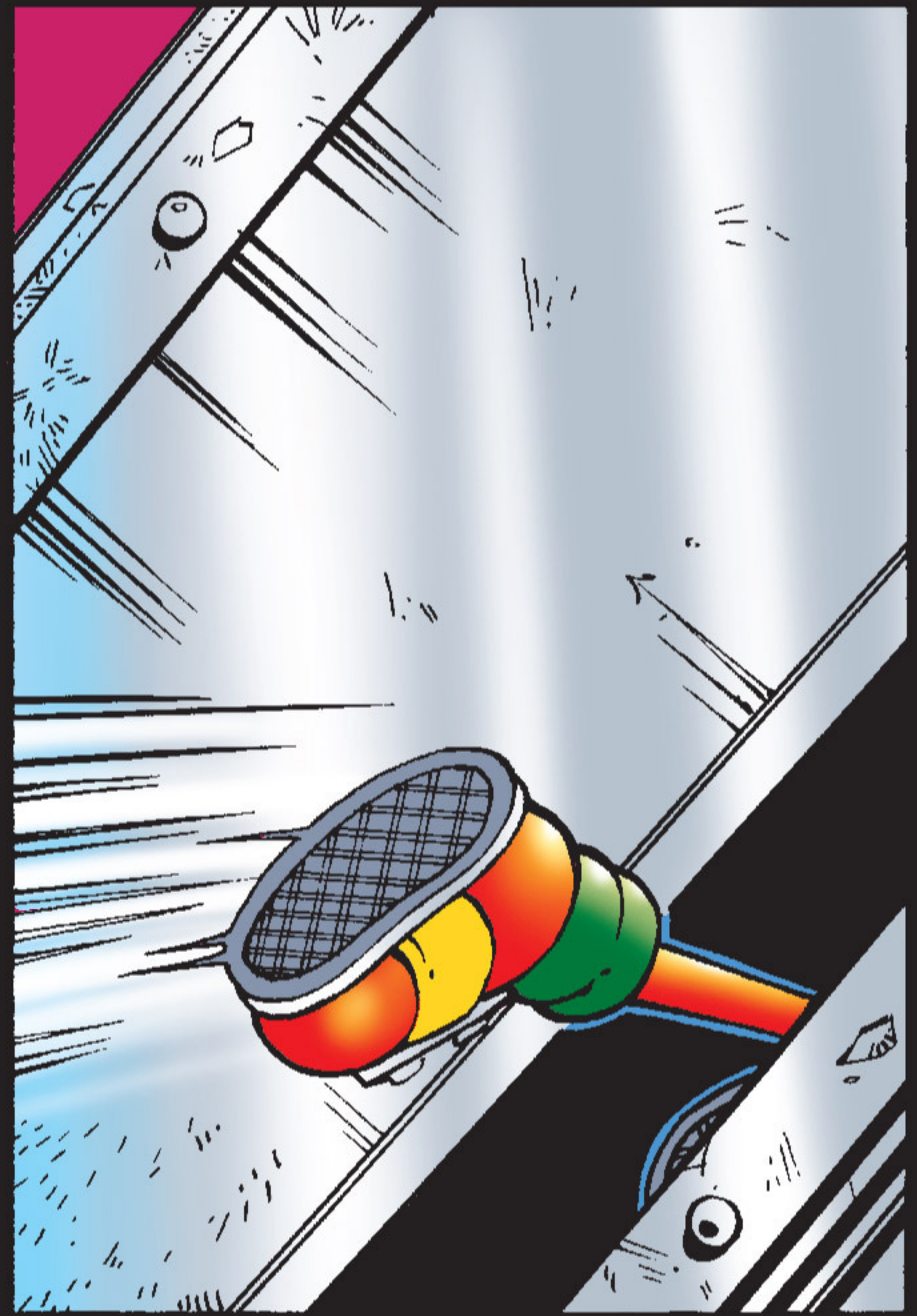
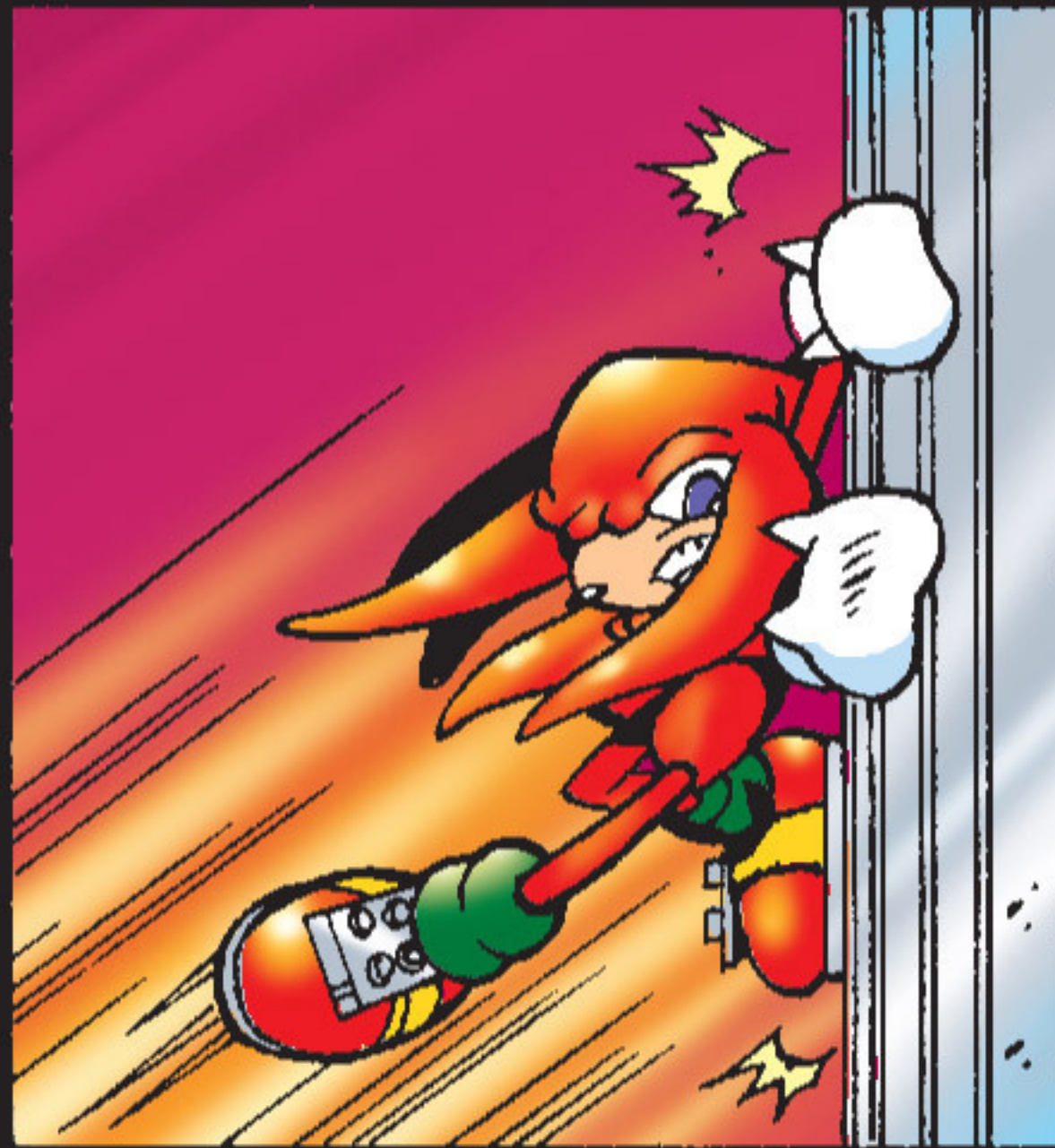
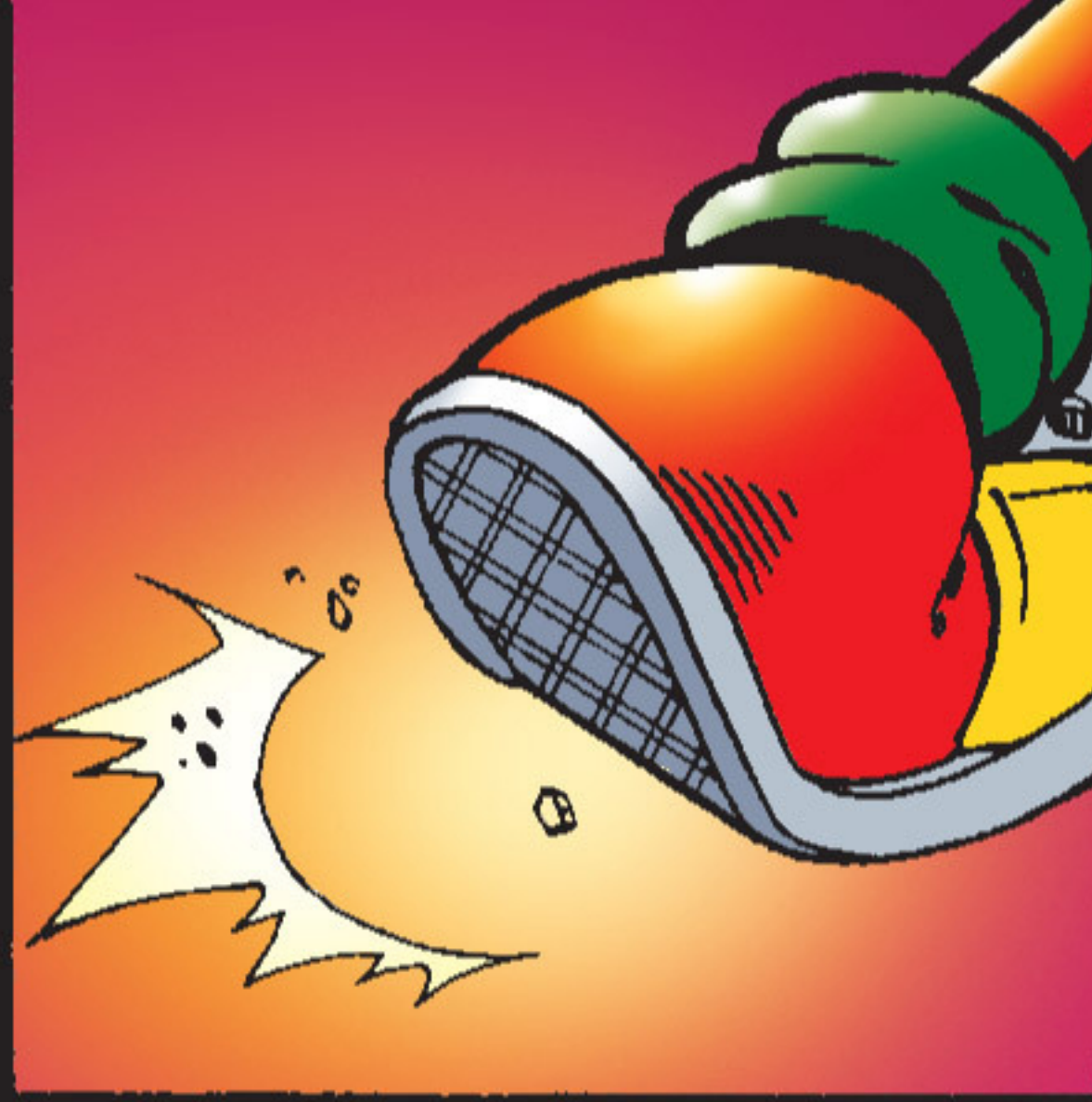
WELL, IF IT'S LIKE IT WAS LAST TIME, WE'LL HAVE TO LOOK INTO ANYTHING UNUSUAL WHERE FOOD IS SOLD.*

GOOD THINKING, MIGHTY. SPLIT UP AND CHECK IN EVERY FEW MINUTES. LET'S GO.

*WAY BACK IN KNUCKLES ISSUES 12-14.

SOON, KNUCKLES FINDS THE SECURED ROOM!

THANKS FOR GETTING THE DOOR FOR ME.



NOW LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN FIND HERE.

SOON...

THE FOREMAN! HE'S NOT RENFIELD, BUT I OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO GET SOME ANSWERS FROM HIM.

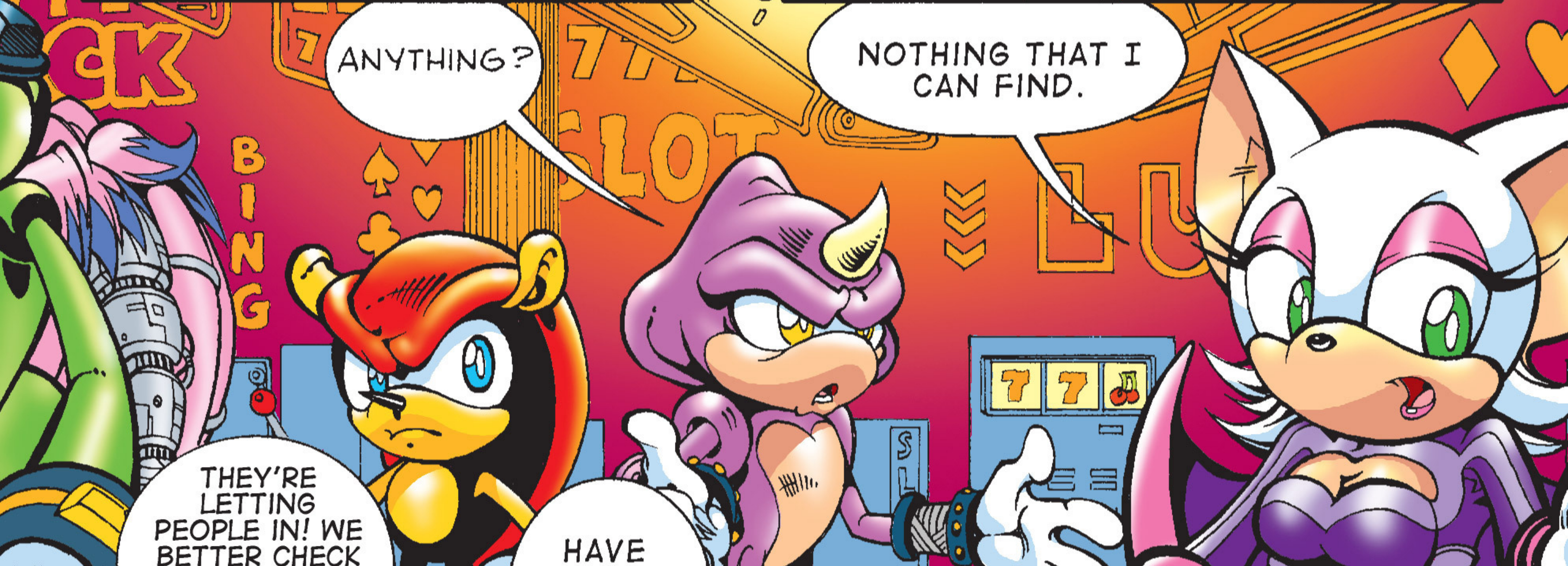
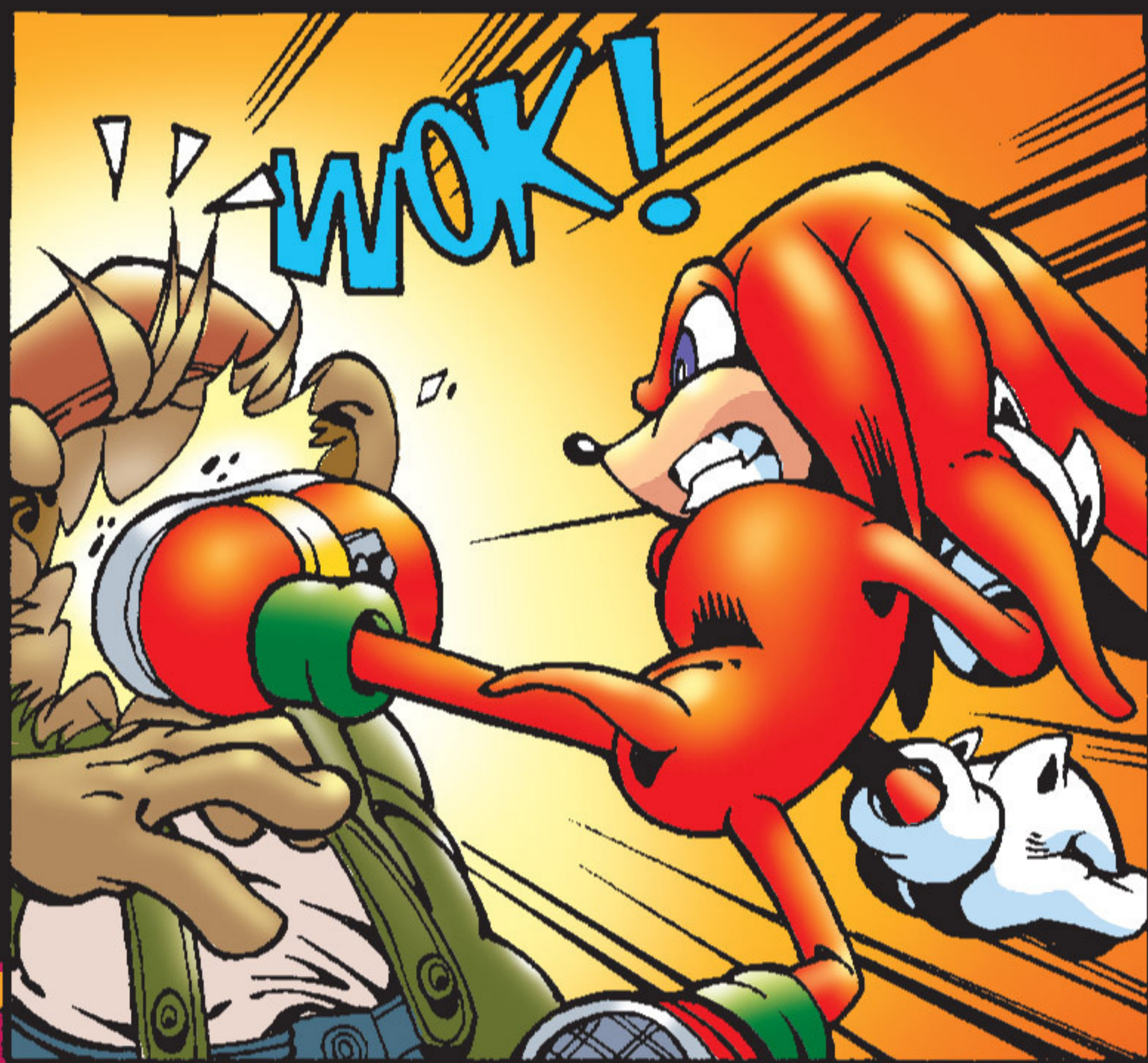
EVERYTHING IS SET. CONTACT DR. EGGMAN AND TELL HIM...



EGGMAN?! HOLD IT!

WHA-?! GET HIM!



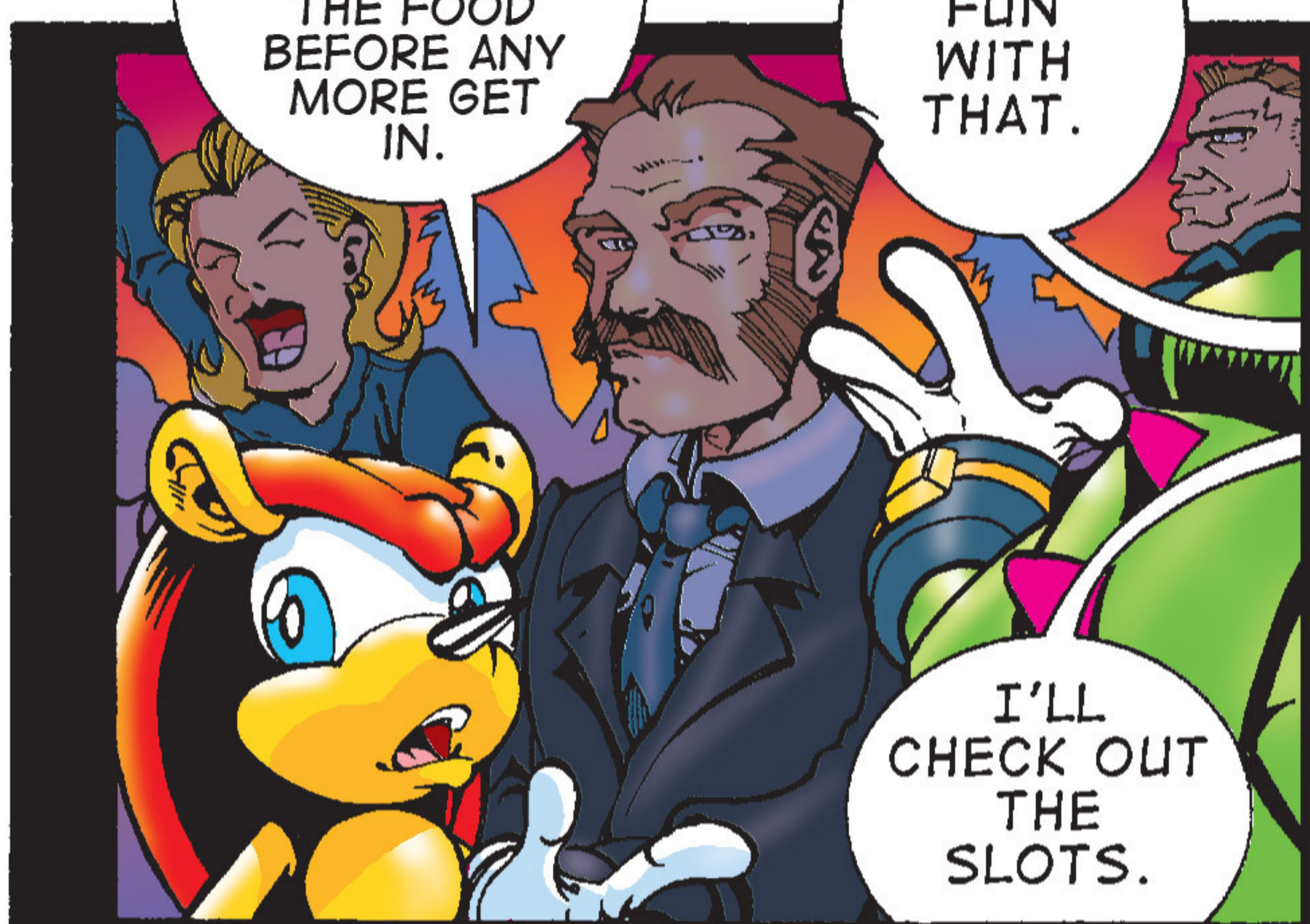


ANYTHING?

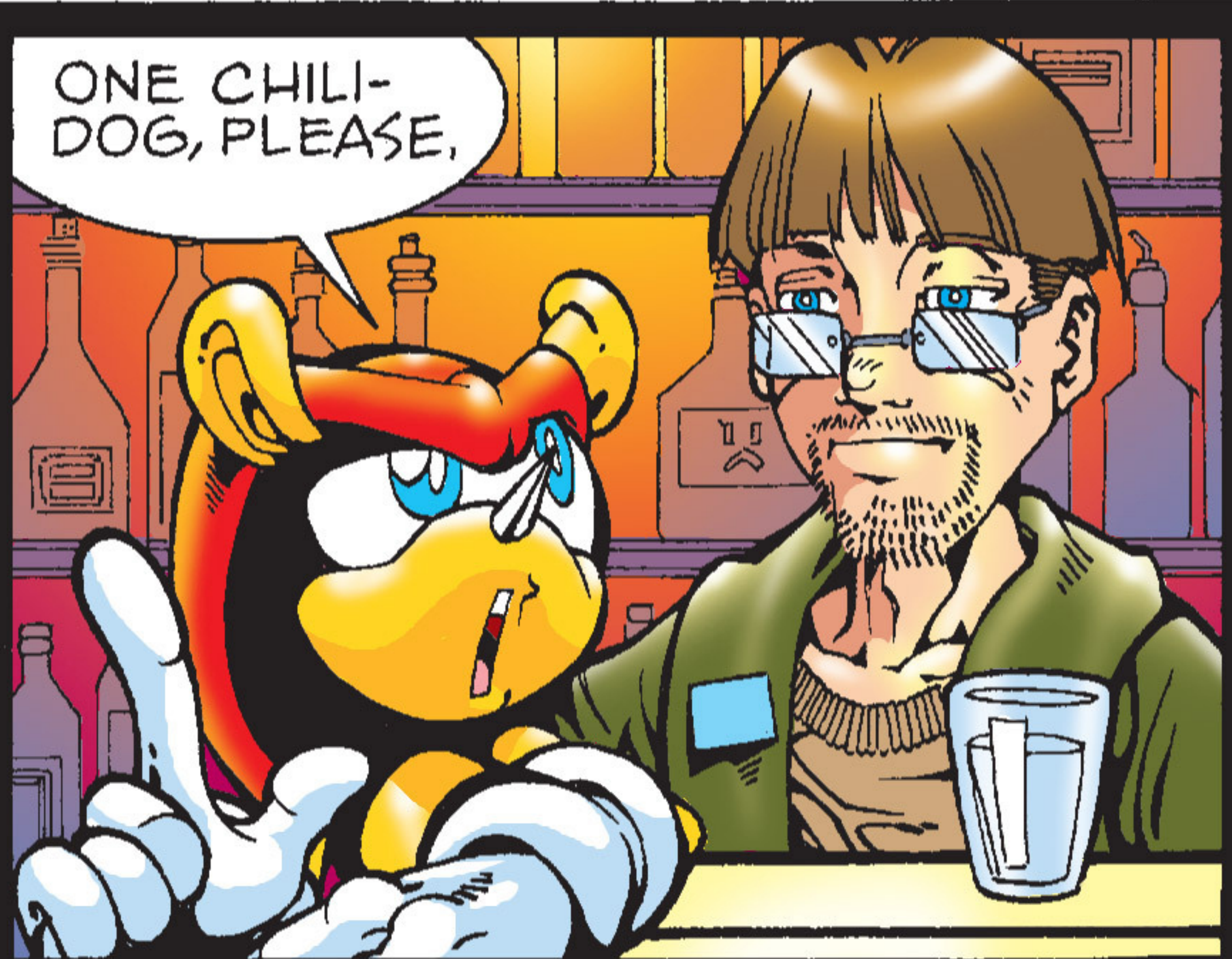
NOTHING THAT I CAN FIND.

THEY'RE LETTING PEOPLE IN! WE BETTER CHECK THE FOOD BEFORE ANY MORE GET IN.

HAVE FUN WITH THAT.



I'LL CHECK OUT THE SLOTS.



ONE CHILI-DOG, PLEASE,



IT DOESN'T TASTE LIKE MUCH. JULIE-SU, KEEP AN EYE ON ME IN CASE IT IS TOXIC LIKE LAST TIME.

I DON'T THINK RENFIELD WOULD TRY THE SAME TRICK TWICE.



THAT, AND KNUCKLES IS LATE CHECKING IN. WE MAY HAVE TO DROP THIS "GENTLE" APPROACH.

"CLANG?"
YOU'RE
NOT
MOBIAN!

THAT
MEANS
YOU MUST
BE ONE OF
EGG-
MAN'S...

CLANG!

...AUTO-
AUTOMATIONS!

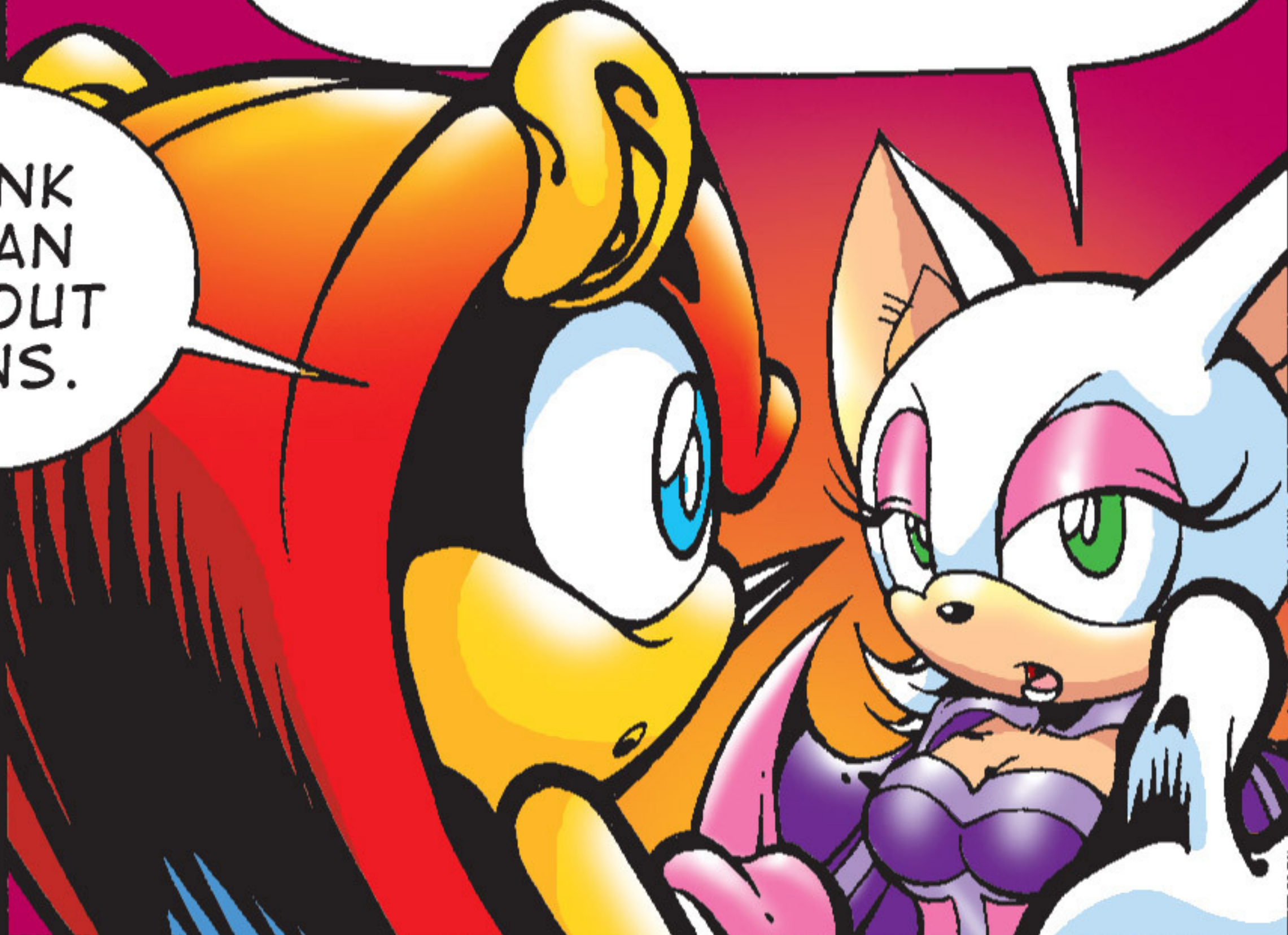
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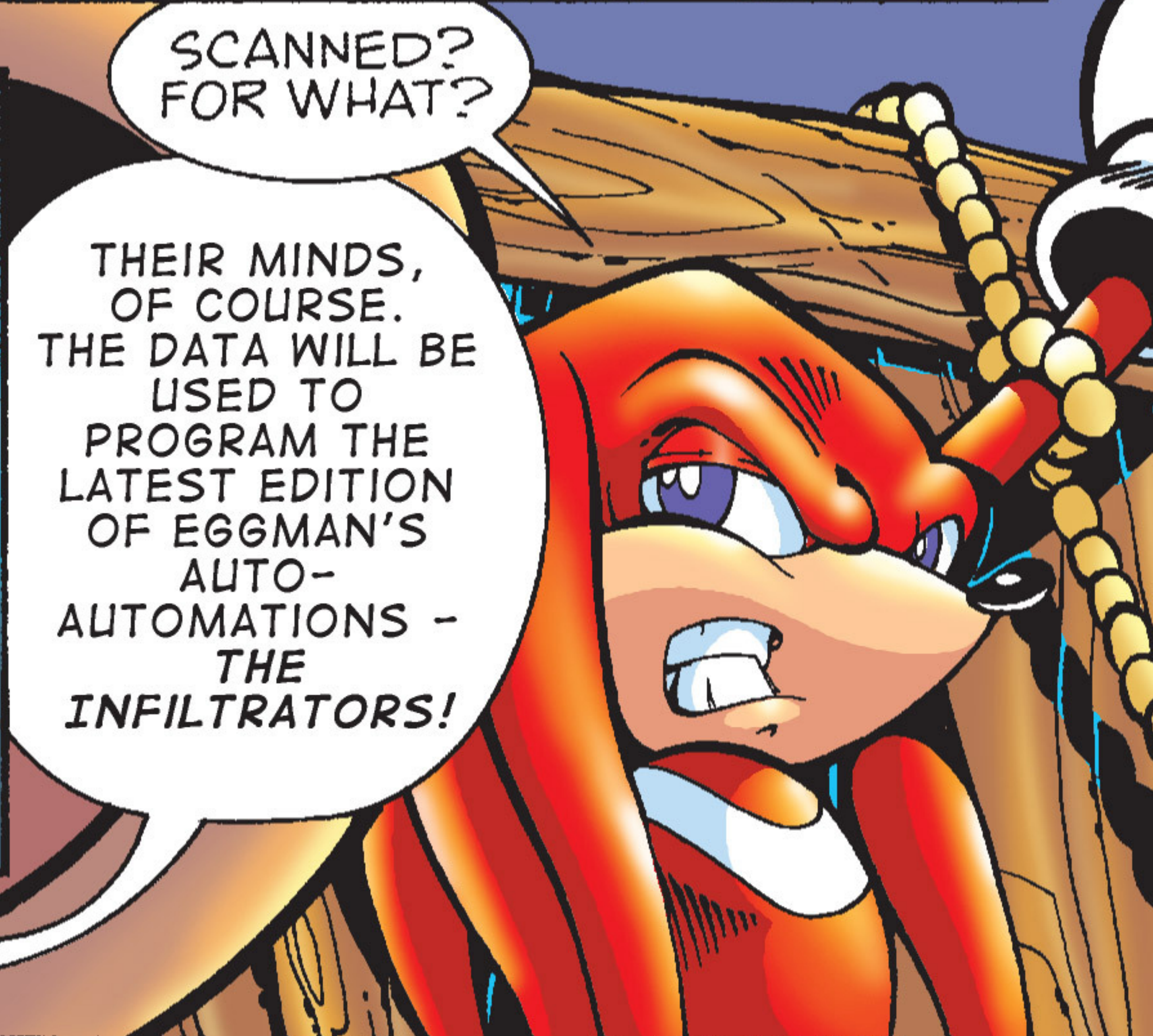
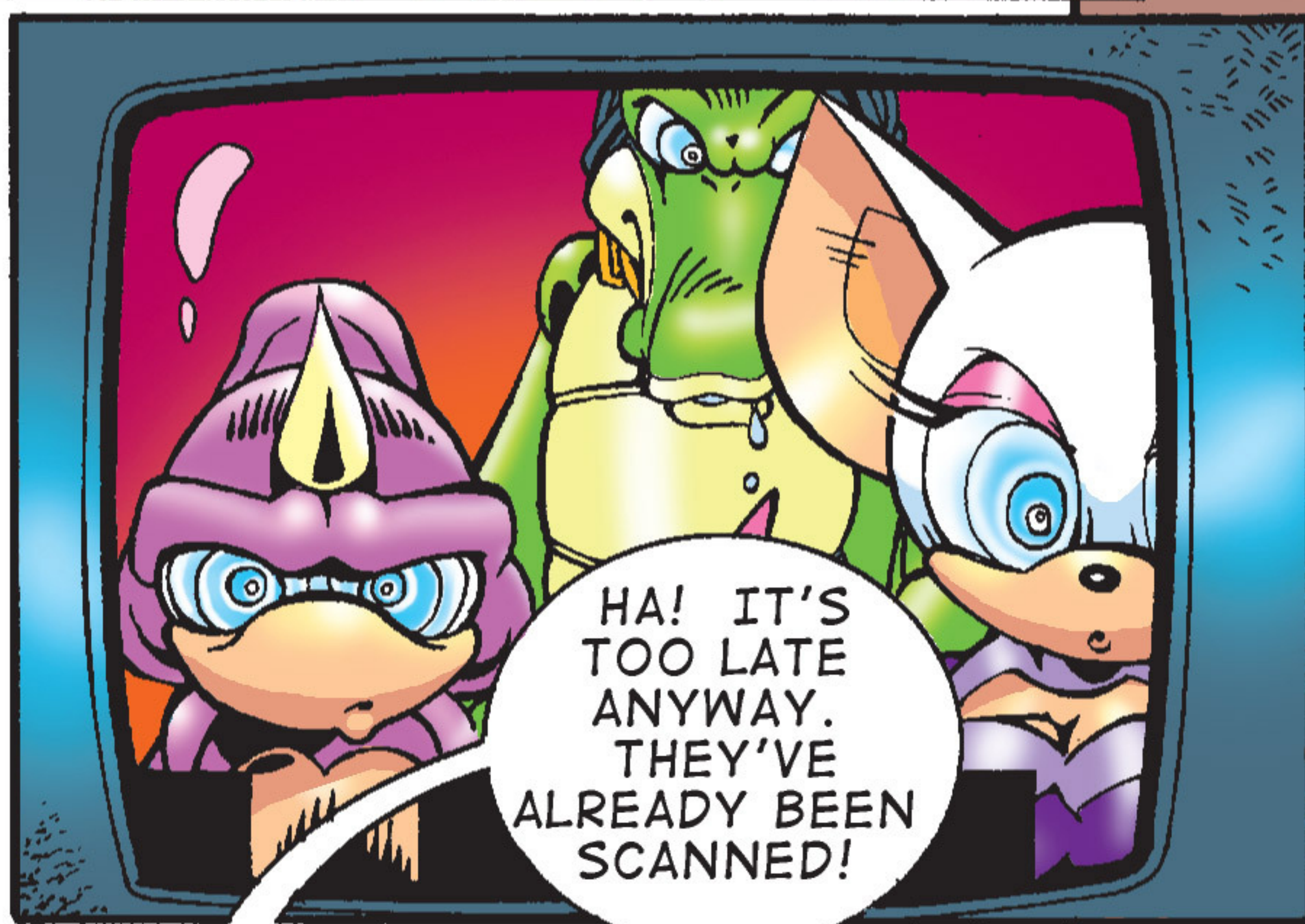
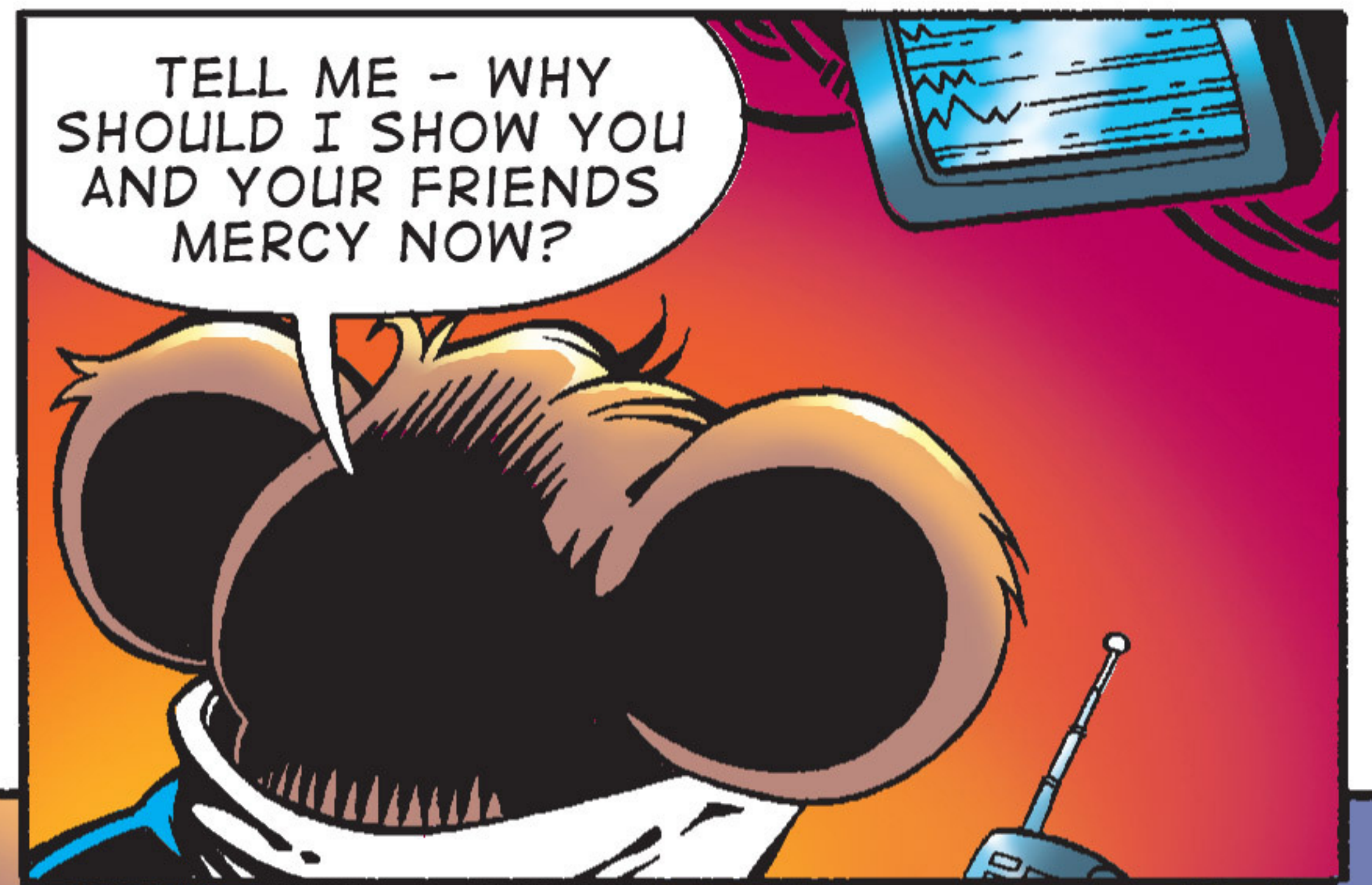
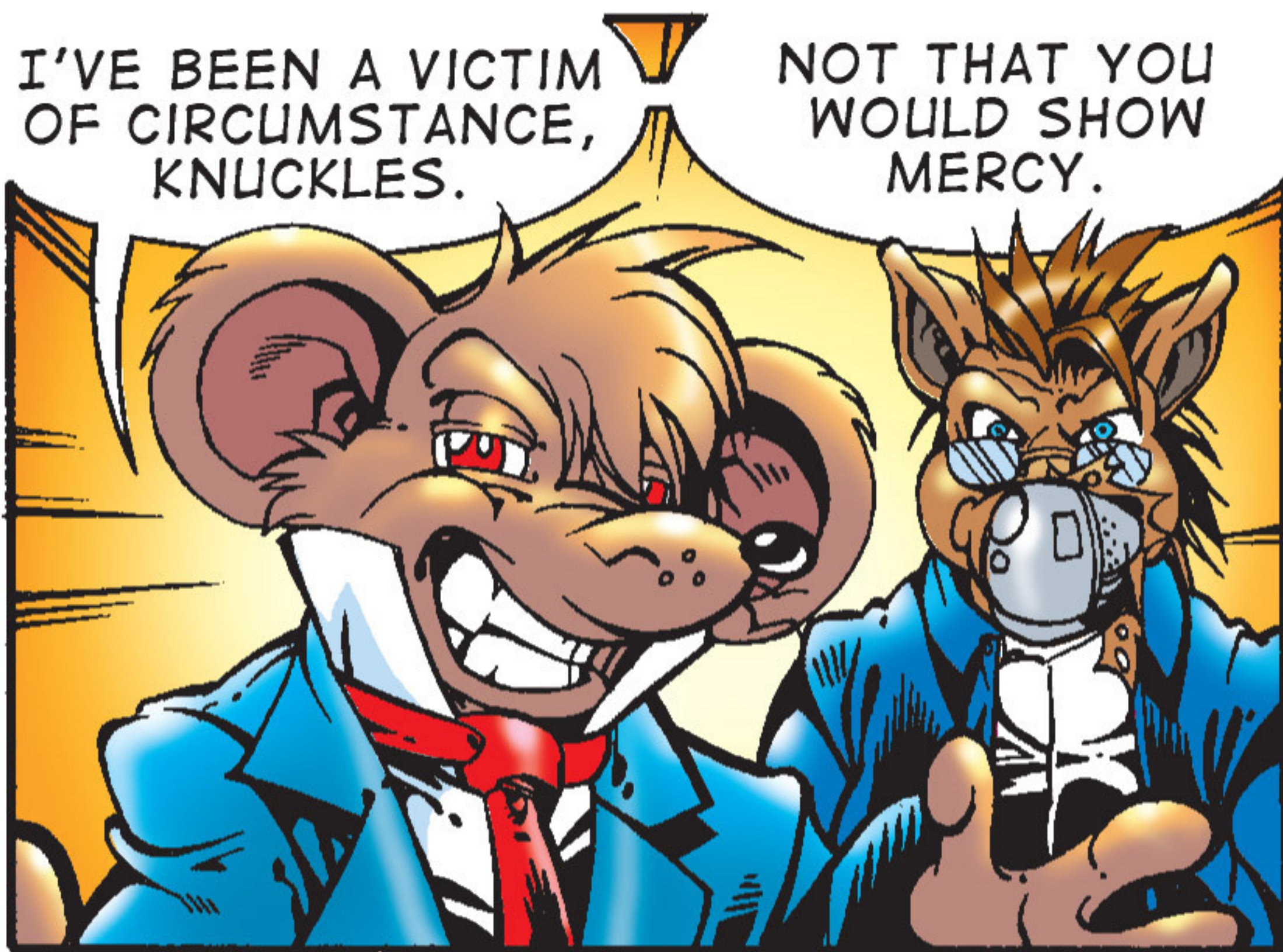
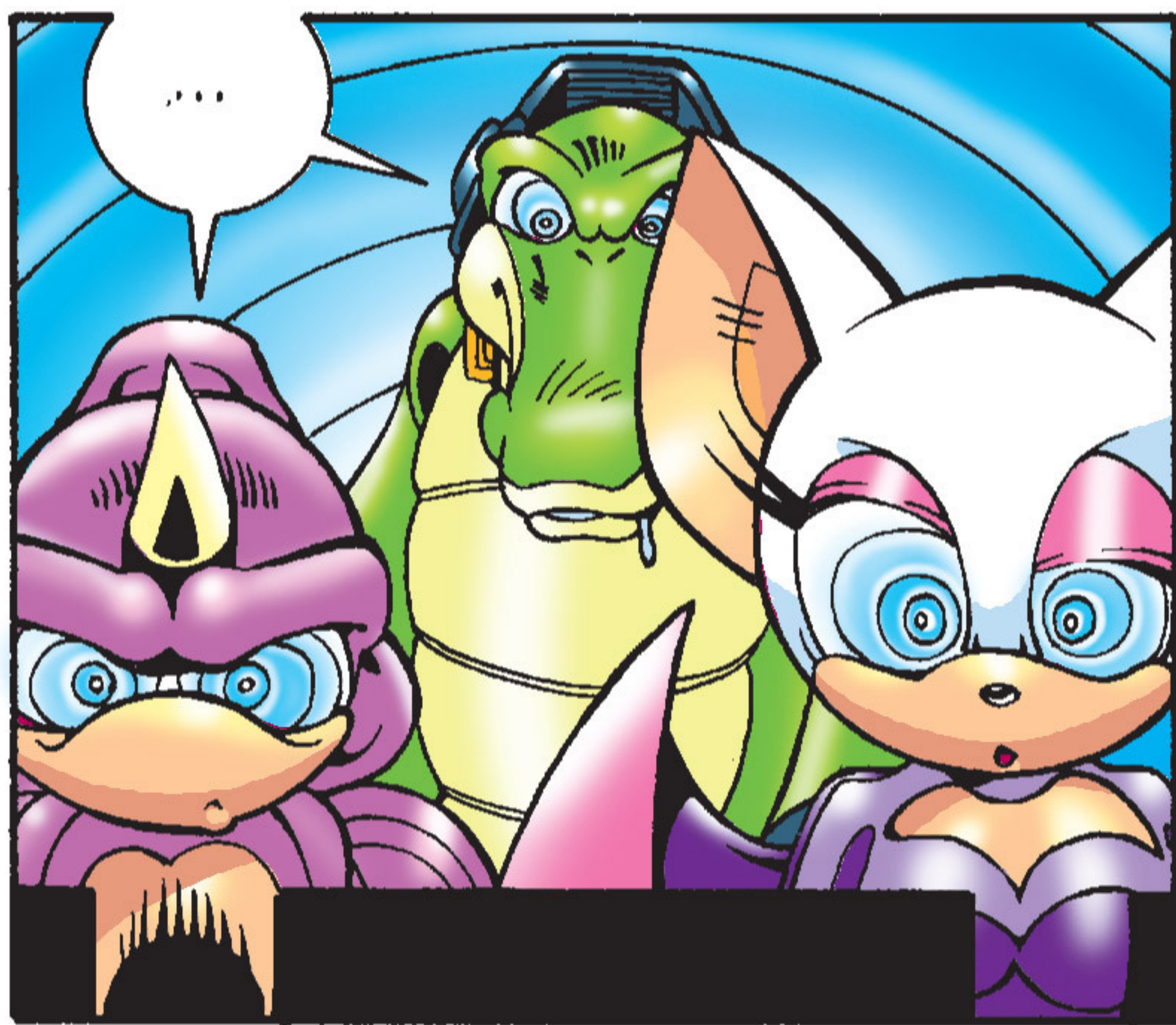
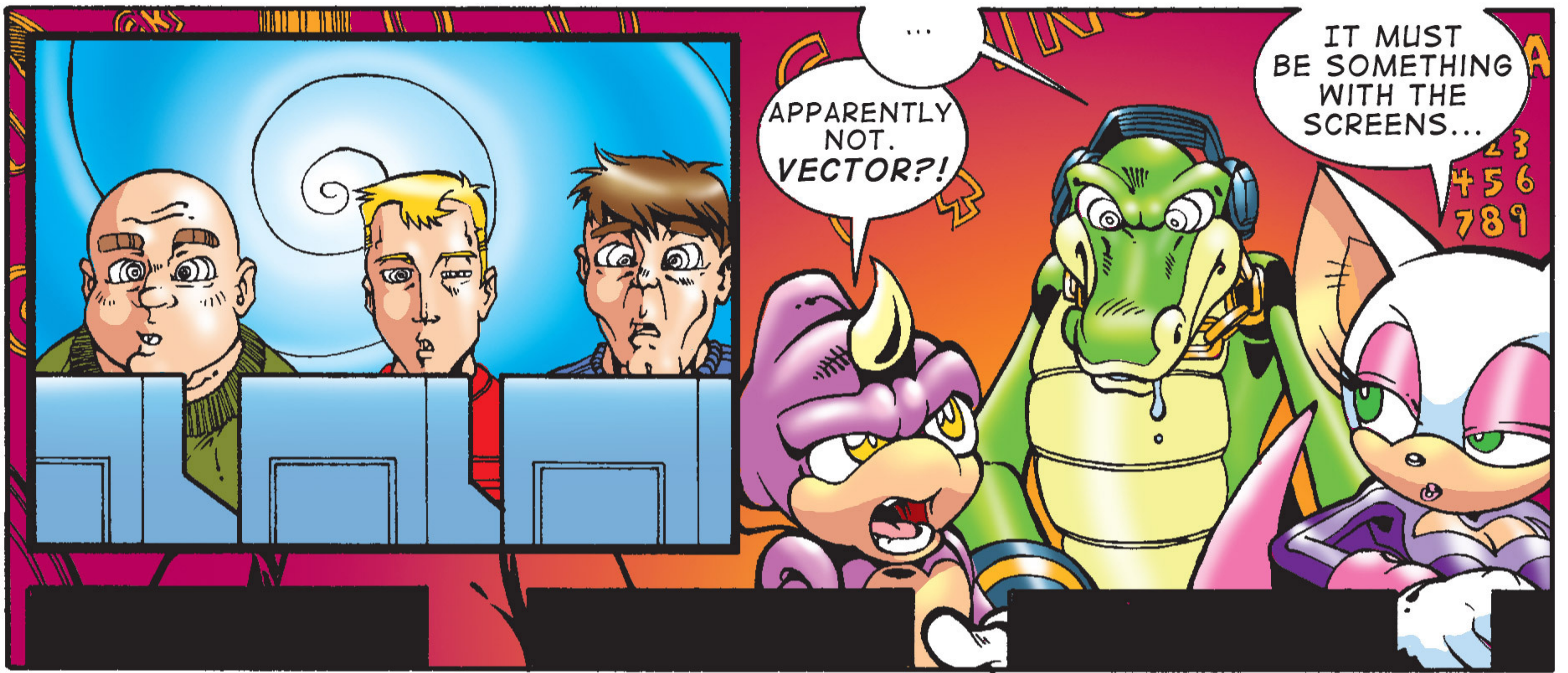
GUH!

RENFIELD - I HAVE
ONE OF THE CHAOTIX.
YES, I WILL
PREPARE HIM
FOR YOU.

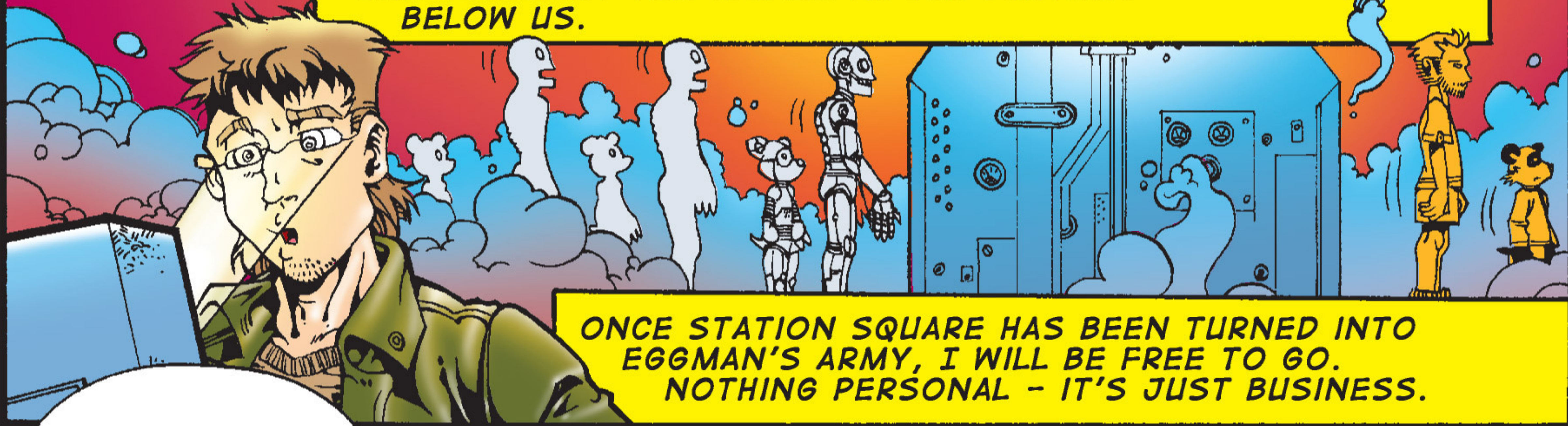
THE FOOD MAY BE SAFE,
BUT ARE THE MACHINES?

I THINK
WE CAN
RULE OUT
TOXINS.





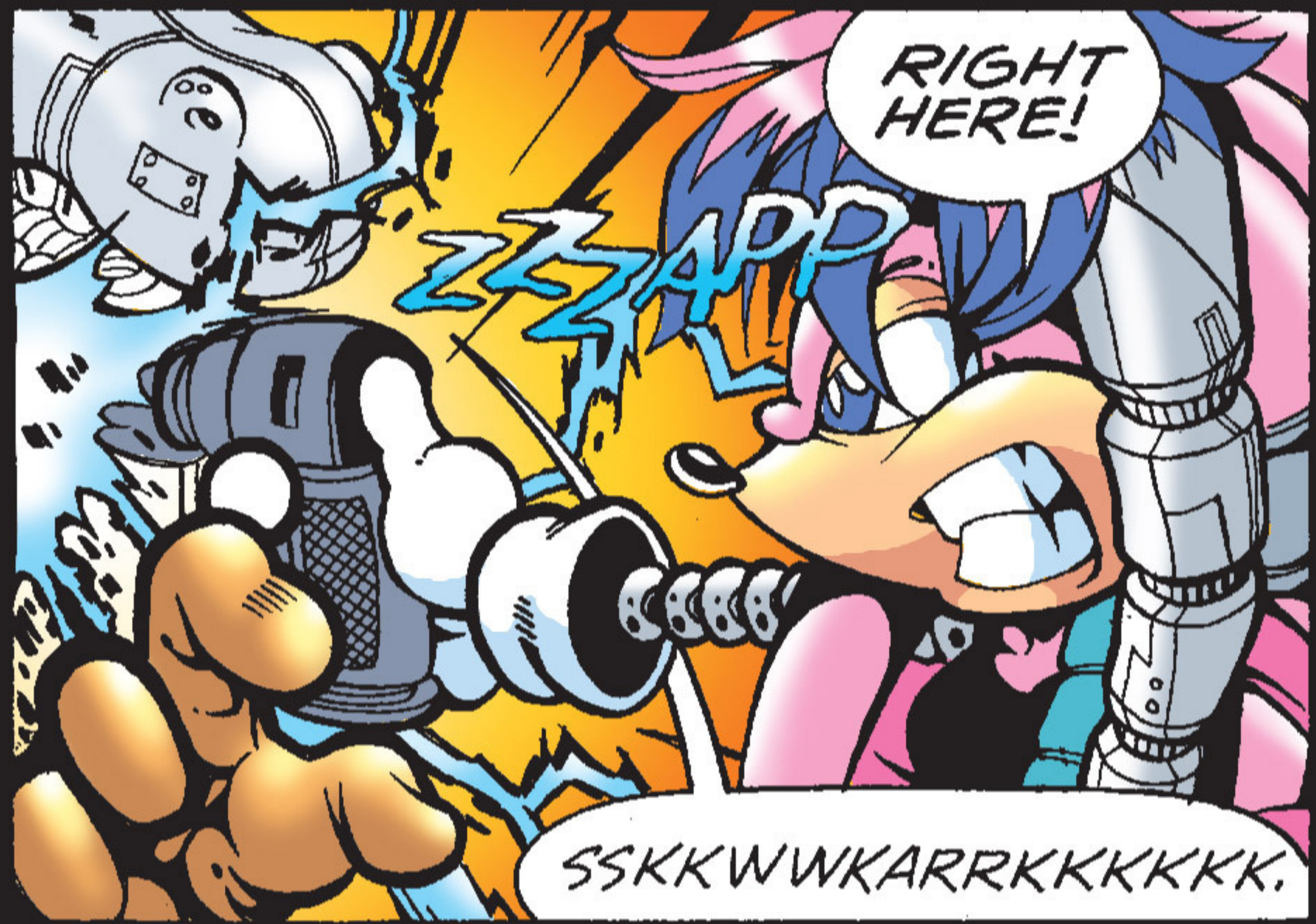
THE SLOT MACHINES HYPNOTIZE AND SCAN THEIR VICTIM AND TRANSMIT THE SIGNAL TO THE FACTORY BELOW US.



ONCE STATION SQUARE HAS BEEN TURNED INTO EGGMAN'S ARMY, I WILL BE FREE TO GO. NOTHING PERSONAL - IT'S JUST BUSINESS.



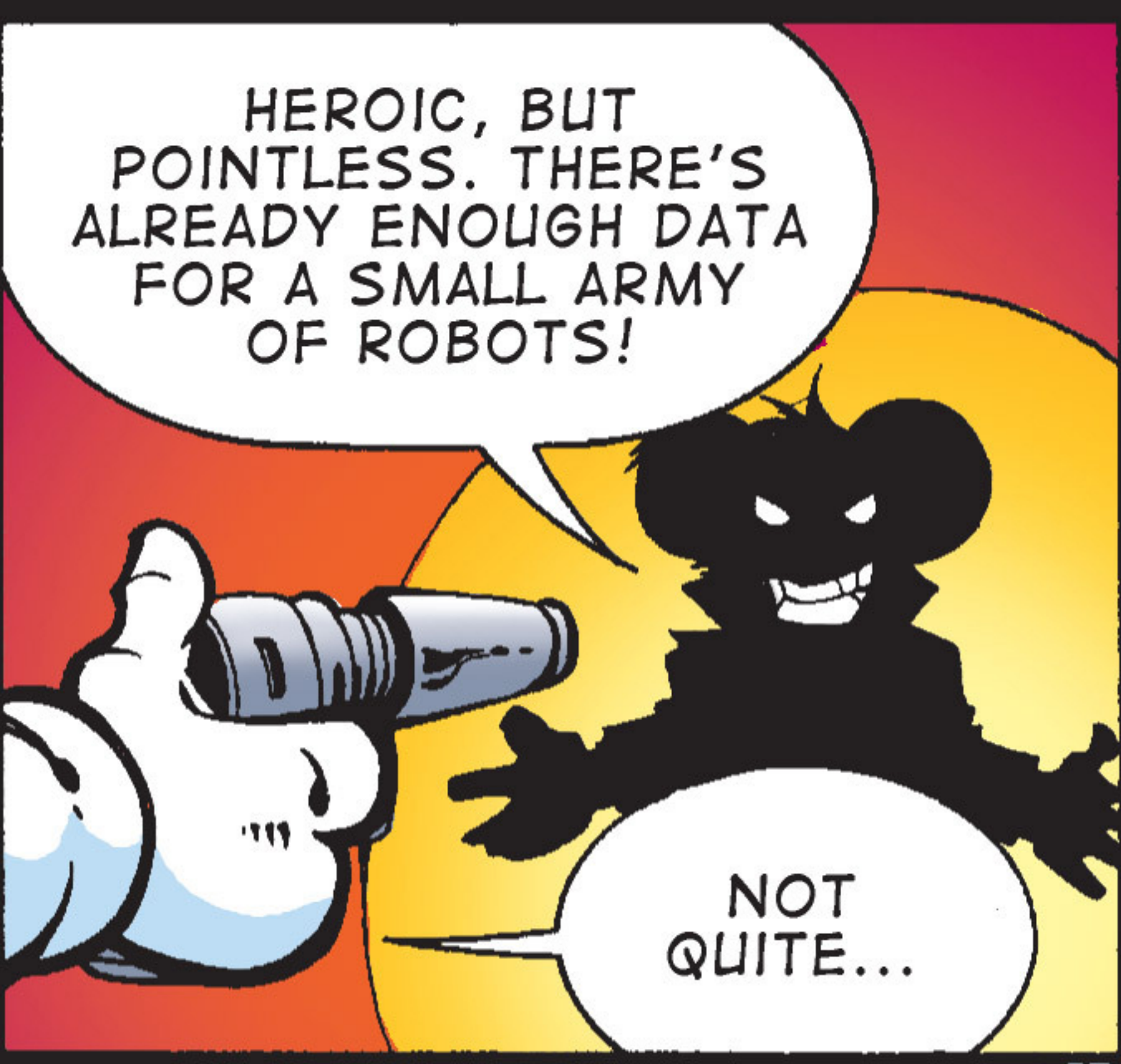
WAIT, WHERE ARE THE OTHER TWO CHAOTIX?



RIGHT HERE!

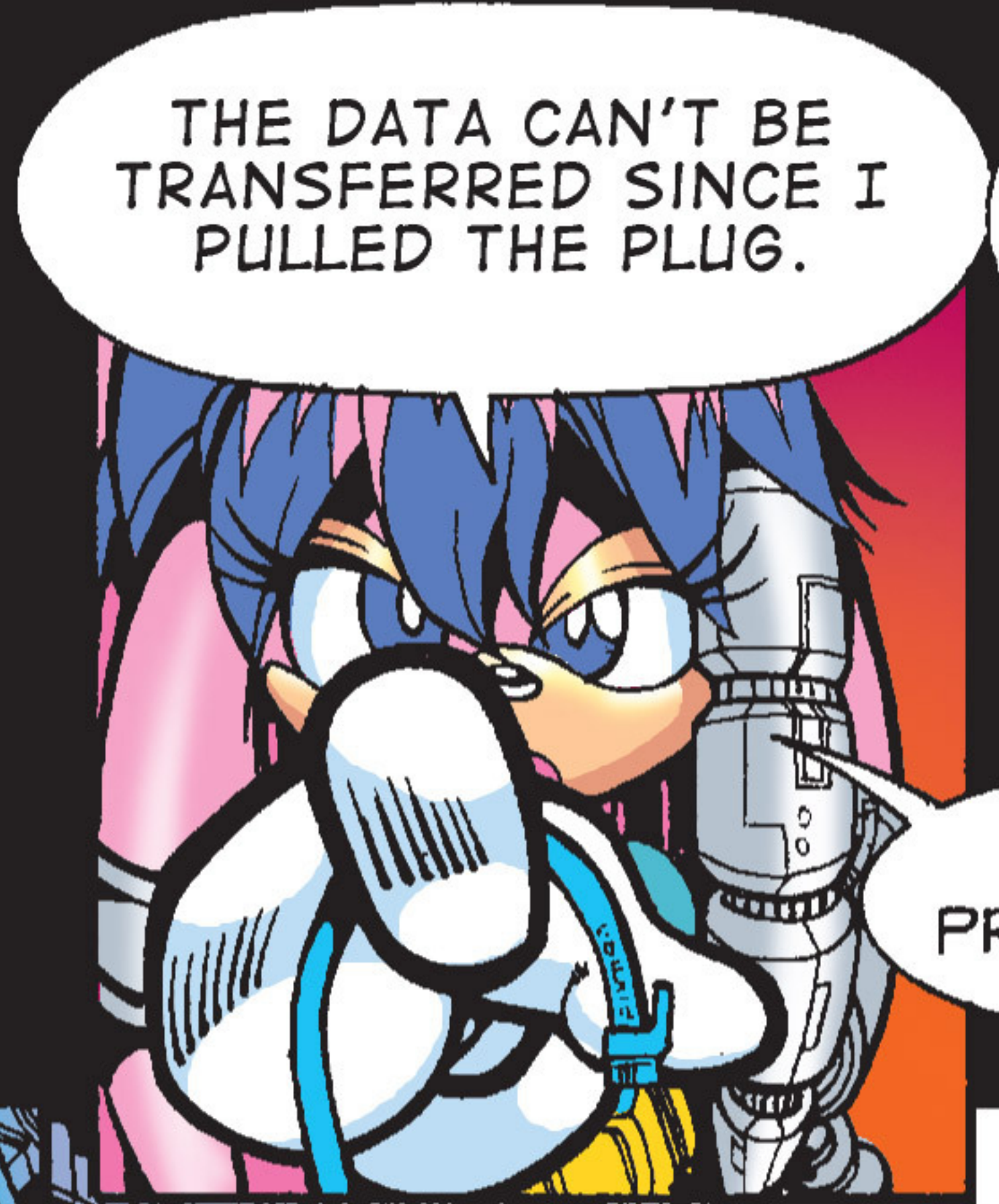
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SSKKWWKARRKKKKKK.

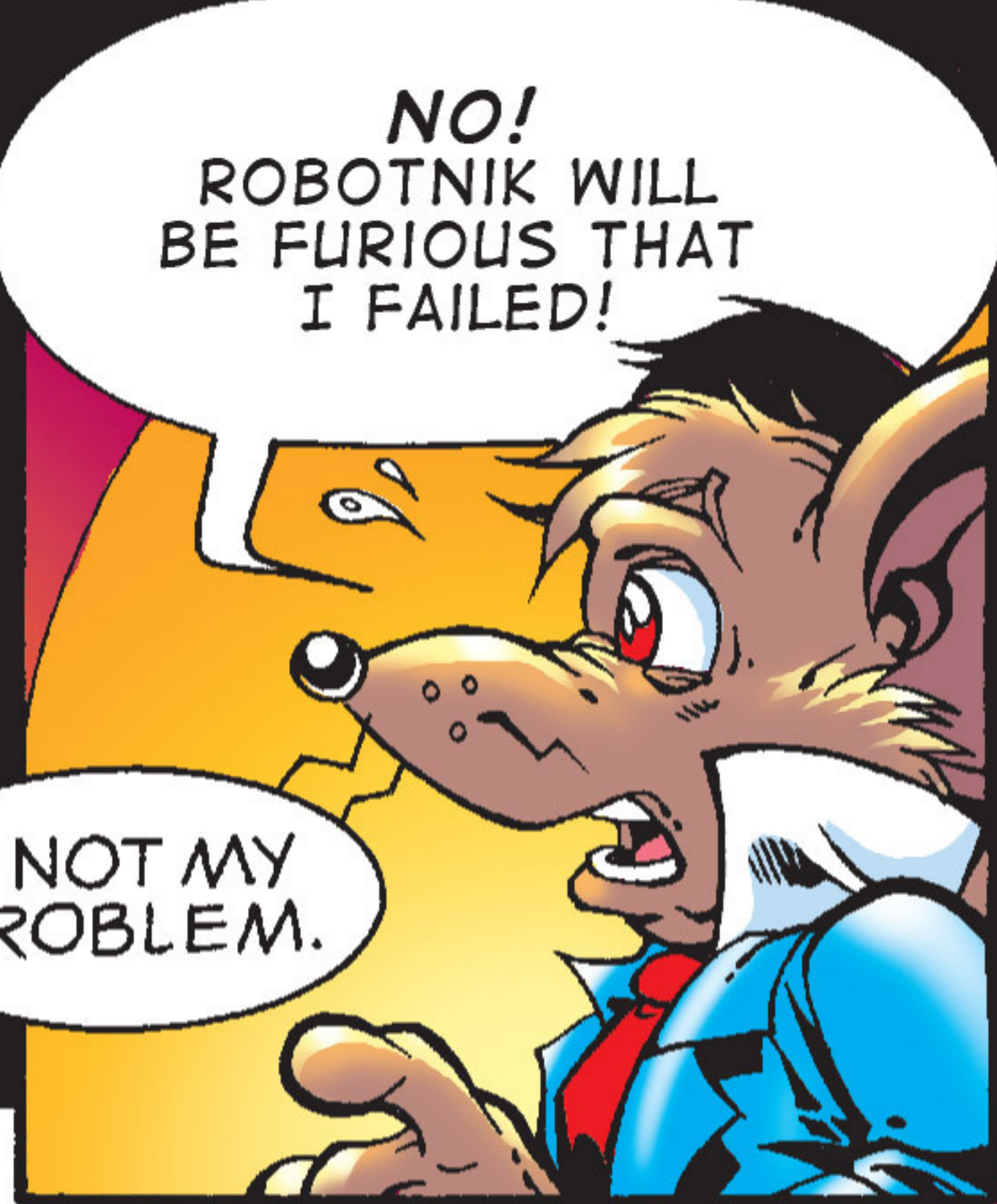


HEROIC, BUT POINTLESS. THERE'S ALREADY ENOUGH DATA FOR A SMALL ARMY OF ROBOTS!

NOT QUITE...

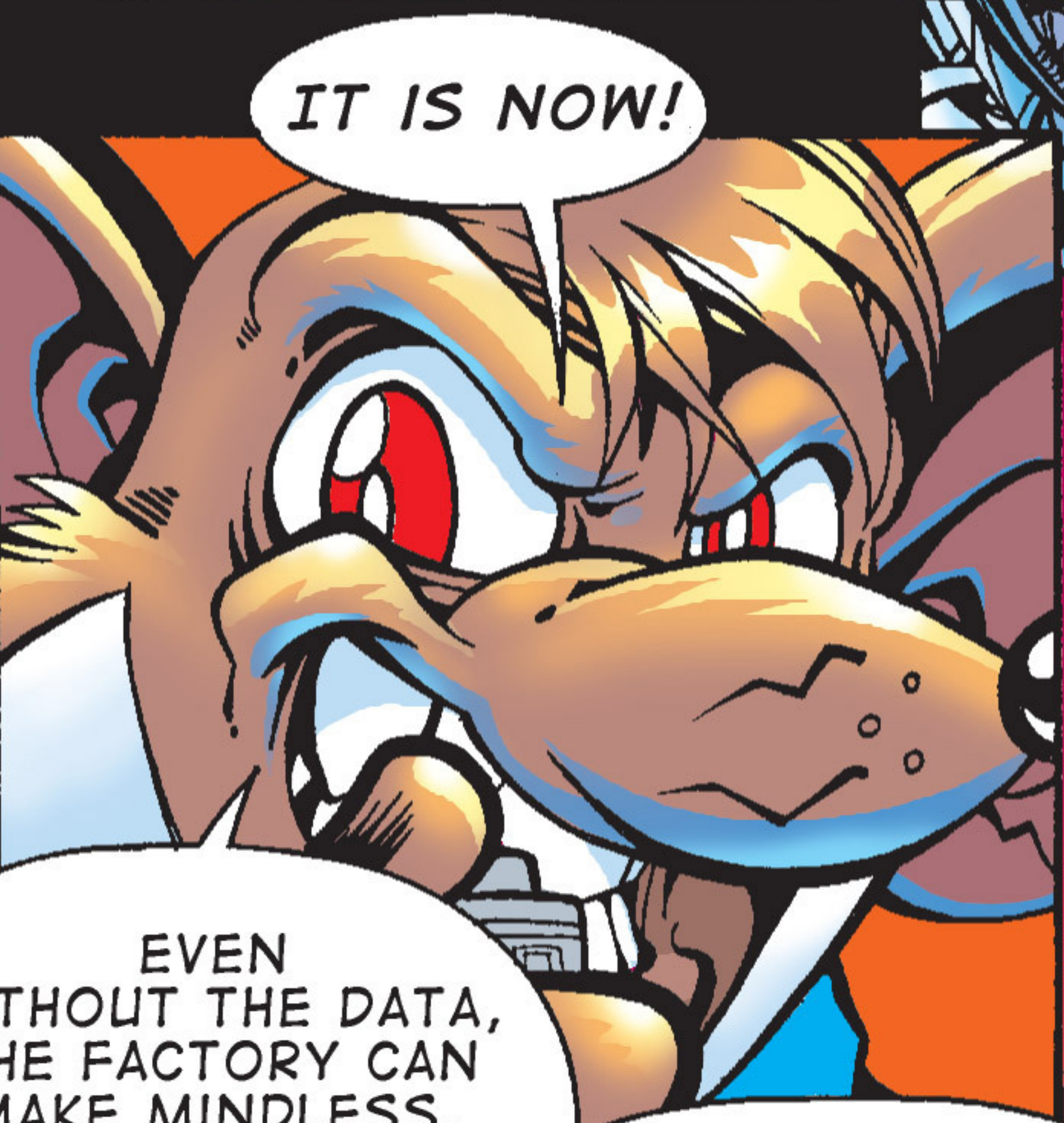


THE DATA CAN'T BE TRANSFERRED SINCE I PULLED THE PLUG.



NO! ROBOTNIK WILL BE FURIOUS THAT I FAILED!

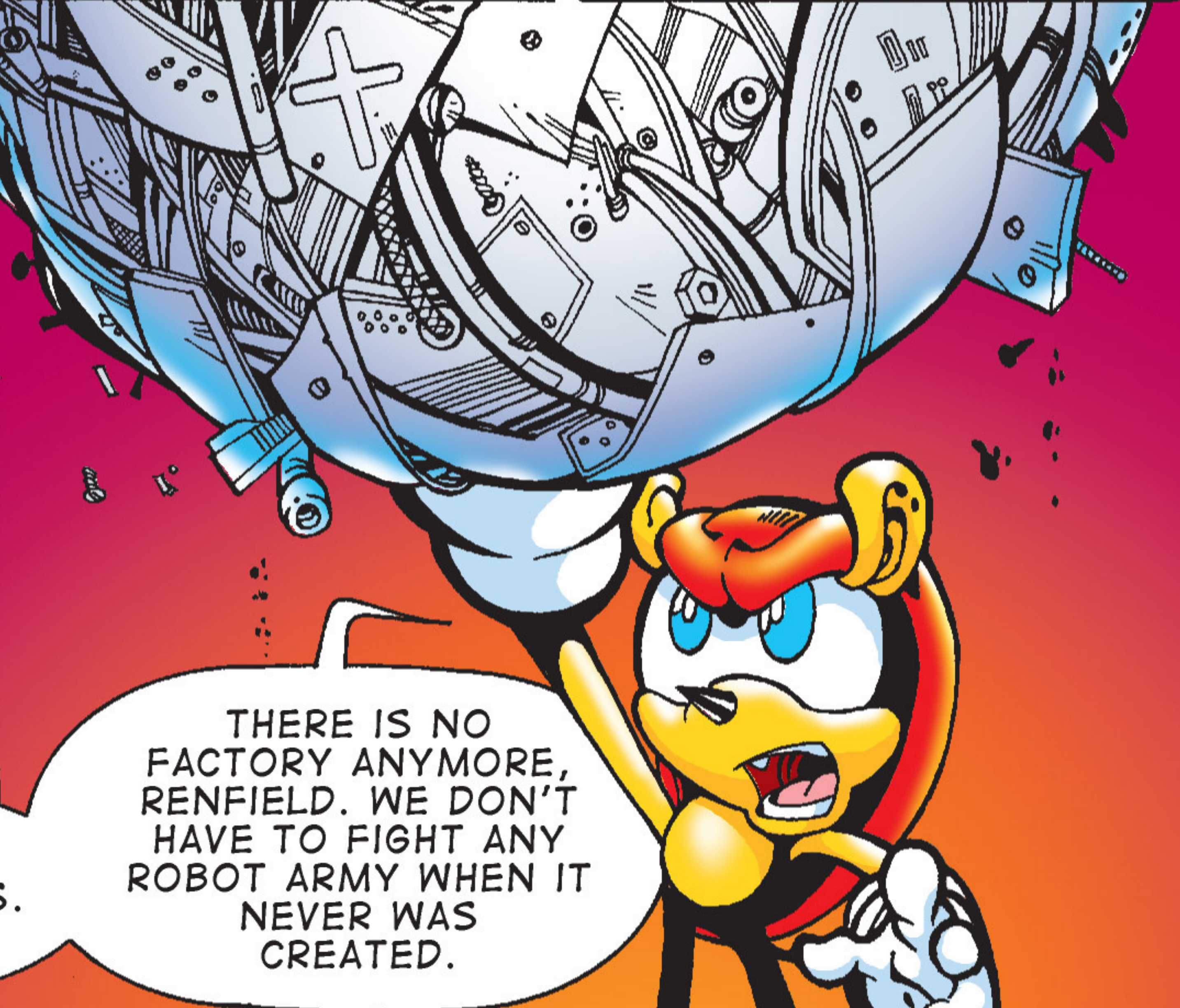
NOT MY PROBLEM.



IT IS NOW!

EVEN WITHOUT THE DATA, THE FACTORY CAN MAKE MINDLESS, KILLER ROBOTS FOR ME!

IN THEORY, YES.



THERE IS NO FACTORY ANYMORE, RENFIELD. WE DON'T HAVE TO FIGHT ANY ROBOT ARMY WHEN IT NEVER WAS CREATED.



CURSE YOU CHAOTIX!
YOU'VE RUINED ME FOR
THE LAST TIME!
I WILL HAVE MY
REVENGE!

WE WON'T
HOLD OUR
BREATH
WAITING.

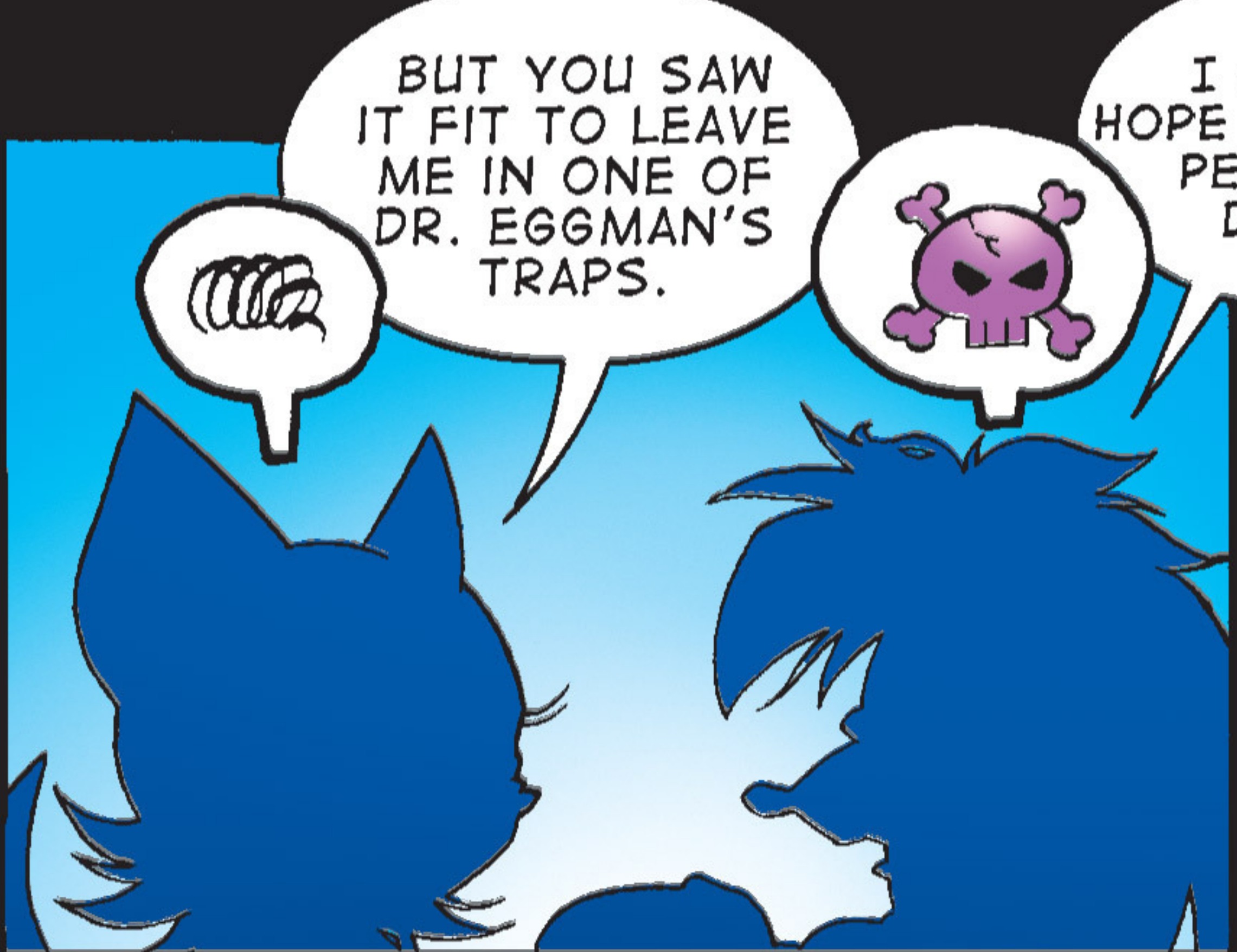


I KNEW
SOMETHING WAS
UP WHEN YOU DIDN'T
CHECK IN, KNUCKLES.
I GRABBED MIGHTY
AND WE
BUSTED
OUR WAY
THROUGH
TO YOU.

GOOD JOB,
GUYS.

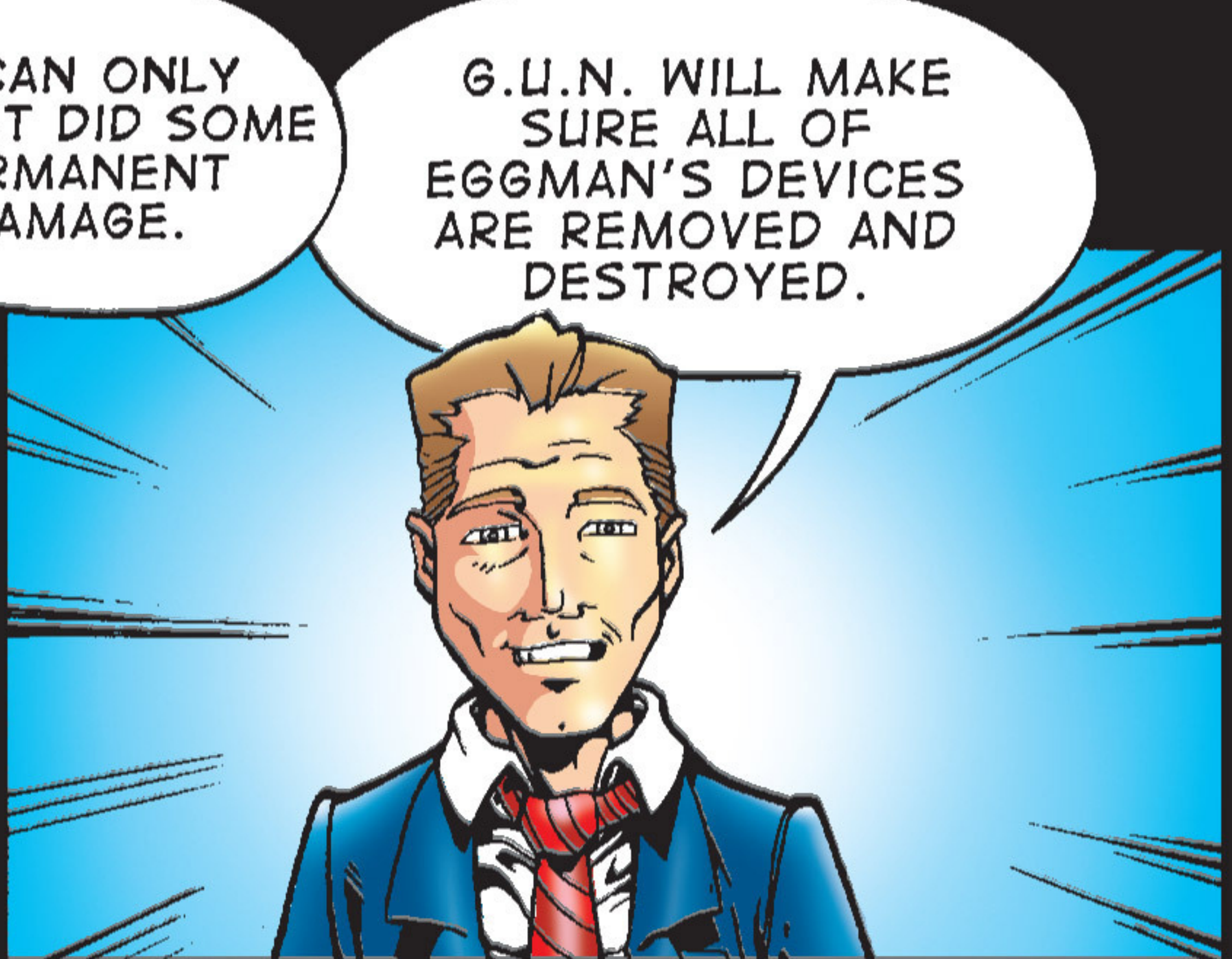


IT WAS PRETTY
OBVIOUS THE FACTORY
WASN'T PART OF
THE CASINO,
SO I TOOK IT OUT.
WE LISTENED IN UNTIL
WE HAD ENOUGH
CONCRETE INFO TO NAIL
RENFIELD.



BUT YOU SAW
IT FIT TO LEAVE
ME IN ONE OF
DR. EGGMAN'S
TRAPS.

I CAN ONLY
HOPE IT DID SOME
PERMANENT
DAMAGE.



G.U.N. WILL MAKE
SURE ALL OF
EGGMAN'S DEVICES
ARE REMOVED AND
DESTROYED.



RENFIELD WILL STAND TRIAL
HERE IN STATION SQUARE.

AND ASIDE FROM A
BIT OF VERTIGO, NONE OF THE
PATRONS SEEM TO BE HARMED
BY THE SCANNING DEVICES.
THANK YOU, CHAOTIX!



GLAD THE CHAOTIX
COULD HELP,
MR. PRESIDENT!

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